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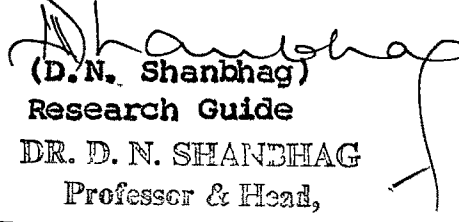
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P R E F A C E

The Dvaita system of Vedānta, expounded by Madhva, has made history in Indian philosophy. The followers and thinkers of this system have made many outstanding contributions to the field of philosophy. They have elaborately discussed the views expressed by Madhva and also have endeavoured great exercise to meet with the objections raised by opponents and disregard the contentions of them. The works of these scholars could also be studied with advanced methods of objective approach and comparative criticism.

It is well observed that next to Madhva, according to the need, the eminent scholars like Jayatīrtha and Vyāsatīrtha ventured and wrote the works which have been, no doubt, deep in argument, critical in exposition and of great admiration, but rooted in logical techniques and niceties and hence, are beyond common approach. The Yuktimallikā of Vādirāja, in this respect, is a novel attempt and first of its kind to feed the demand, fulfil the need and, indeed promises and helps both, the scholars and other faithful readers to understand the doctrines of philosophy, particularly the Dvaita, since it happens to be a unique combination of scholastic way of argumentation,

interpretation and clever common approach.

A systematic, comparative and critical study of the Yuktimallikā has not been made so far. And this thesis is an attempt to bring out the significance of the contribution of the Yuktimallikā. It is well attempted in this thesis to show as how best Vādirāja adduces the reasons or arguments (Yuktis). It is also discussed in length that what the Yukti of Vādirāja consists of. The first chapter gives a brief account of Vādirāja's date, life and works. The second chapter contains an elaborate critical exposition of the Yuktimallikā and helps for the better understanding of the contents of the work. The third chapter deals with and discusses the contribution of Vādirāja, through the Yuktimallikā, to the Indian philosophy in general and the Dvaita, in particular. In the fourth, concluding chapter, some conclusions are drawn in respect of salient distinct features of the Yuktimallikā and of relevancy of the Yukti (reasoning). As this thesis, in this regard, a new attempt to bring out the significance of the Yuktimallikā and Vādirāja's unique contribution, it is hoped that it would be an useful addition to the field of Dvaita Vedānta and its literature.

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ABBREVIATIONS

AV	Anuvyākhyāna
BG	Bhagavadgītā
Bh. Vi	Bhāvavilāsinī
Bhā	Bhāṣya
Bhāg	Bhāgavata
Br. Sū	Brahmasūtra
Br. Sū, Bhā	Brahmasūtrabhāṣya
Bṛh. Up.	Bṛhadāraṇyaka Upaniṣad
B. S.	Bhedasaurabha
Ch.	Chapter
Chā. Up.	Chāndogya Upaniṣad
Com.	Commentary
Fn.	Foot note
G. S.	Guṇasaurabha
H. D. S. V. & L.	A History of Dvaita School of Vedānta and its Literature
Īśa. Up.	Īśa Upaniṣad
M	Madhva
Māṇḍ. Up.	Māṇḍūkya Upaniṣad
Muṇḍ. Up.	Muṇḍaka Upaniṣad
P	Page
Pp	pages
P. S.	Phalasaaurabha
RV	R̥gveda
S. M.	Sumadhvavijaya
S. R. M.	Stotraratnamālā
S. V. S. M.	Śrī Vādirāja Stotramanjari
S. Vṛ. A.	Svapnavṛndāvanākhyāna
Sū. Bhā	Sūtra Bhāṣya
Ś	Śaṅkara
Ś. S.	Śuddhisaurabha
Swet. Up.	Śwetāsvatara Upaniṣad
Ś. Y. S.	Śukla Yajurveda Saṁhitā
S. Y. K. S.	Śukla Yajurveda Kaṇva Saṁhitā
Tait. Up.	Taittirīya Upaniṣad
Up.	Upaniṣad
Upādhi Kh.	Upādhi Khaṇḍana

V.G.C.	Vādirājaguruvaracaritāmṛta
V.G.M.	Vādirājagūṇaratnamālā
Vol.	Volume
V.R.S.	Vādirājaṅgutvasiddhānta
Vṛ.R.S.	Vṛttaratnasamgraha
V.S.	Viśvasaurabhā
Y.M.	Yuktimallikā

DATE, LIFE AND WORKS OF VĀDIRĀJA

Madhva, the historical reviver and propagator of the Dvaita system of Vedānta, flourished during 13th century A.D.¹ He vindicated the Dvaita system on firm grounds and also wrote authentic works in its defence. He erected a temple in Udupi and installed a Sāliagrāma statue of Lord Kṛṣṇa. Madhva worshipped Lord Kṛṣṇa for many years. Then he ordained eight celibate monks and entrusted to them the worship of Lord Kṛṣṇa and also the propagation of his system. He made them incharge of separate mutts. Among the heads of these mutts, Viṣṇutīrtha, who was a direct disciple and brother of Madhva in his Pūrvaśrama, was foremost. His greatness is being described in the S.M. at length.² It is known that then a mutt was named after him. In that hierarchy started by Viṣṇutīrtha, there had been great personalities and the nineteenth was Vāgīśatīrtha. He was a great scholar, saint and devotee. He lived in Kumbhāsi, 18 miles away from Udupi observing the austerities and also teaching the noted works of the Dvaita system. It is this Vāgīśatīrtha, with whose blessing, Vādirāja was born and then being ordained by him, graced the pontifical seat of the mutt initiated by Viṣṇutīrtha.

DATE

Vādirāja, a mystic, a profound scholar, a well-known

debator and a gifted poet, was born in 1480 A.D. He lived for 120 years. He entered the Vṛndāvana at Sondā, near Sirsi in the present Uttara Kannada District of Karnataka, in 1600 A.D. The Carama śloka³ and also some inscriptions belonging to years 1582 and 1593⁴ prove that he was born in 1480 A.D. and disappeared in 1600 A.D. As it is, there is no difference of opinion so far as the date of Vādirāja is concerned. The V.G.C. states that his date of birth was the 12th day of Māgha Śukla of Śārvarī Samvat.⁵

LIFE

To know the life history of Vādirāja, fortunately we have authentic and authoritative works such as Vṛttaratna-saṃgraha (Vr.R.S.), Vādirāja-guruvaracaritāmṛta (V.G.C.), Vādirāja-guṇaratnamālā (V.G.M.). The Vr.R.S. was written by Raghunātha-cārya, a disciple of Vādirāja. It is not merely a historical work, but is also a good piece of poetry. It appears that the author might have had passed away early, i.e., when Vādirāja was still alive and hence he does not narrate the latter part of Vādirāja's life. The V.G.C. has been written by Rāmacandra-cārya, a disciple of Vedanidhi-tīrtha, a pontiff second from Vādirāja. It deals with almost all the incidents of Vādirāja's life. It runs into nine chapters. The eighth one is devoted for the discussion connected with the Rjūtva of Vādirāja. The authenticity of

this work is unquestionable since it has been written just after the demise of Vādirāja and also as per the instructions of Vedanidhitīrtha.⁶ There is every possibility to state that, the author, at his early age of life, must have had seen Vādirāja. The V.G.M. has been written by Vāsudevācārya Nippāṇi during the latter part of the 19th century. It closely follows the Vr.R.S. and V.G.C. and also narrates some other incidents following the conventional information of tradition and also then available Purāṇic evidences.

Apart from these three major works, we do get a good number of stotras and songs of Haridāśas, that glorify the greatness of Vādirāja, his mystic life, achievements and adventures.

Vādirāja was born of humble parents, Gourī and Rāmācārya, in Huvinakere near Kumbhāsi in Taulava region i.e. the modern Dakshina Kannada District. He is stated to have been a Tulu Brahmin by birth. His father, Rāmācārya, was a follower of Sāma Veda.

Vādirāja was born by the grace of Vāgīśatīrtha, the 19th in the succession from Viṣṇutīrtha.⁷ His birth name was spelled as Varāha as he was graced with the blessings of Lord Varāha (favourite and presiding deity given by Madhva to his

brother Viṣṇutīrtha). Varāha's Upanayanam was celebrated at the age of five, and he was ordained the Saṁnyāsāśrama at the age of eight. He studied primary works under Vidyānidhi (a senior disciple of Vāgīśatīrtha) and after his demise, Vādirāja continued his studies under his Guru Vāgīśatīrtha.

When Vādirāja completed the core of Śāstric study, he made up his mind to go on a sacred tour to propagate the Dvaita Siddhānta, to have the holy bath in sacred rivers, to have the Darśana of the Lord in all places and also to bless the qualified devotees. It was also a tour to gain wide experience. He travelled the entire country twice and as a result he composed a unique work in Sanskrit viz., Tīrthaprabandha that gives an account of the various Hindu temples and places.

Vādirāja introduced some changes in Paryāya system of Lord Kṛṣṇa's worship in Udupi. Before Vādirāja, the duration of Paryāya, as introduced by Madhva, was of 2 months each. It was Vādirāja, who, taking into account the convenience of other monks, changed it into that of 2 years. He made arrangements for the construction of individual mutts for all the eight. He also chalked out the programme of worship, which is even now followed and can be witnessed by one and all.⁸

When Vijayanagar emperor Kṛṣṇadevarāya was facing financial crisis, he made an appeal to Vādirāja. Vādirāja blessed him with abundant wealth, found in the ancient cave of Vāli and Sugrīva. Then Kṛṣṇadevarāya honoured Vādirāja with a crown, an umbrella, a jewelled throne and the like. Thereafter, both Kṛṣṇadevarāya and Acyutarāya gifted generously to Vādirāja who rebuilt the Kṛṣṇa temple at Udupi on an extended plan. It was in 1532-33 A.D. The inscription describing this event is seen even now in the Kṛṣṇa temple at Udupi.⁹

In 1585 A.D. Venkatapatidevarāya graced the royal throne of Vijayanagara empire. After the completion of Paryāya in 1580-81, Vādirāja, on his eastern tour, came to the capital of Vijayanagara, then at Penagundi. The king wanted to celebrate the victory and hence he invited all his subordinate kings, scholars, poets, artists and others. In the assembly hall, Vādirāja was requested to grace the Chief seat and to preside over the function. There, he was supposed to face the attacks from different scholars in different fields. Vādirāja, though alone, succeeded in tackling the arguments and faced them easily, politely and successfully. The assembly, realising the extra-ordinary calibre and wide and deep scholarship of Vādirāja in all arts and lores, honoured him with the title Prasaṅgābharanātīrtha.¹⁰

Vādirāja once came to Pune and he heard that scholars, in assembly, had decided to honour the Māghākavya viz., Śiśu-pālavadhā, as the best among all, since that was enriched with poetic excellences in all respects. Then Vādirāja sent a word informing that he too had a best Kāvya and he would submit the same for consideration within 20 days. Thereafter, Vādirāja composed a Mahākāvya by name Rukminīśavijaya within 20 days and sent it to the assembly. The scholars were very much pleased with its unique poetic excellences in composition, in narration, in description, in imagination, in poetic beauties and the like. All of them recommended for honouring it as the best among all such compositions.¹¹

Vādirāja came to Prayāga (Allahabad) and lived there for some days. One day Lord Vedavyāsa in the guise of a sage coming from Badirīkāśrama, met Vādirāja, who welcomed him with great reverence. Vedavyāsa reminded Vādirāja that Vādirāja's mother had, before his birth, promised Lakṣālaṅkāra to God if she would give birth to a worthy son. He also reminded Vādirāja's promise to fulfil that vow. Actually it was not possible for every one or even for the wealthiest to offer one lakh golden ornaments. So Vedavyāsa asked Vādirāja to write a gloss-like commentary on one-lakh difficult words of the Mahābhārata and to offer it at the feet of God, so that, that would easily fulfil the promise of

his mother. He also invited Vādirāja to Badarikāśrama and then disappeared. Vādirāja went to Badarikāśrama, saw there Vedavyāsa, Madhva and other sages. He received the message of Vedavyāsa and Madhva and then wrote Lakṣāṇāṭīkā in simple but erudite style. He offered this at the feet of Lord Vedavyāsa who was very much pleased with that.¹²

Once Vādirāja wished to have the Darśana of Lord Veṅkaṭeśvara. When he came to Tirupati, he saw the rocks appearing as Sāligrāmas and felt uneasy to trod on them. So he climbed the hill on his knees singing the glory of the Lord. Vādirāja worshipped that Presiding Deity to his entire satisfaction and offered Him a garland of 108 Sāligrāmas which adorns the Lord even today.¹³

Vādirāja's was of a many sided personality. It is said that, under his occult power, there was a mysterious goblin (Bhūtarāja) who served Vādirāja closely and devotedly. This Bhūtarāja, at the instructions of Vādirāja did many miracles. It is said that this Bhūtarāja, at the order of Vādirāja went to Badarikāśrama and brought the Trivikrama-idol with the chariot. Vādirāja installed that idol in the newly constructed temple in Sondā. He also placed the stone-chariot there which could be seen even today.¹⁴

It is believed that he was a disciple of the great Dvaita preceptor, Vyāsarāya and studied under him. But it is very strange to note that Vādirāja has not acknowledged Vyāsarāya as his Guru in any of his works. But it is the tradition and also some of the songs of Dāsas, that refer to Vyāsarāya, as the Guru of Vādirāja.

Vādirāja, who introduced the change in the period of the Paryāya, performed four Paryāyas in Udupi.¹⁵ When the turn of fifth Paryāya came, he realizing the intention of his disciple Vedavedya; gave him the chance of performing the Paryāya in Udupi; while he, at the same time, worshipped Venugopālakṛṣṇa in Sondā for two years and thus completed the fifth Paryāya.¹⁶

There are many more such incidents that happened in the life of Vādirāja. To sum up, he was a great saint philosopher, the most facile writer in the Dvaita system, a gifted poet, a great mystic, a noted Haridāsa and the like. His life was full of miracles and achievements.

B.N.K.Sharma observes "Vādirāja was another eminent successor of Vyāsarāya who carried forward the work of theological polemics and critical reinforcement and defence of the Dvaita system."¹⁷

L. Stafford Betty remarks, "Vādirāja is a Hindu theologian and writer for the Dualist system of Vedānta. He was active in Kanara district of India throughout all the sixteenth century."¹⁸

C.R. Rao glorifies Vādirāja as "Śrī Vādirāja was an all-knowing mystic by birth. He was a profound scholar, a trenchant debator and a successful organiser."¹⁹

K.T. Pandurangi writes "He was a poet, a philosopher, a social organiser, a great debator, prolific writer, and to crown all this a saint of mystic eminence."²⁰

As Madhva sowed the seed of Bhakti, it is Vādirāja, who nourished and brought it up carefully to grow and to bear fruits. His message and mission were not only restricted to the scholars but flowed fluently to the line and lane of common man. He was a terror and at the same time a source of inspiration to the Prativādins. He was a saint of salient features, man of merits, devotee of devotion and overall a religious and social reformer too. The tradition believes that Vādirāja is one of the Ṛjus by name Lātavya.²¹

The span of Vādirāja's mortal life was running out. He fulfilled the conditions and instructions of Lord Vedavyāsa.

He also did the entrusted and promised work. He dispelled the doubts and delusions of the learned. He gave Saṁnyāsāśrama to a celibate, naming him Vedavedya, ordained him as the successor. He then made up his mind for his voluntary exit from the world. He fixed the date and time.²² He got done the Vṛndāvana under the supervision of Arasappanāyaka²³ and Rāmacandranāyaka.²⁴ When the designed construction of the Vṛndāvana was completed, Vādirāja worshipped it. He installed the statue of Lord Vedavyāsa in front of the Vṛndāvana, made a small temple for Bhūtarāja. He also got done the sacred reservoir Dhavalagaṅgā, behind it.

For a week before the appointed day, Vādirāja celebrated the Utsava of Lord Trivikrama on a grand scale and also instructed all the devotees for its continuation. On the day of his disappearance, he worshipped Lord Hayagrīva, Bhūvarāha and then also Madhva. He blessed Vedavedya, Vedanidhi the next two pointiffs and also other followers. He gave his parting message. He then entered the holy Vṛndāvana alive.²⁵ He sat in a perfect pose and then controlled the breathing. Soon after this the Tulasi garland fell from his hand. Then the front door was placed as instructed.²⁶ Since then it is believed that Vādirāja continues to dwell as a source of divine grace and spiritual solace in that Vṛndāvana.

The holy Vṛndāvana of Vādirāja, which is a place of solace for grief-stricken devotees and a source of inspiration to the scholars is attracting at Sonda²⁷ even today, thousands and thousands every year.

WORKS OF VĀDIRĀJA

Vādirāja was a prolific and facile writer of the Dvaita literature. His works are of unique characteristics. The works are packed and graced with variety of material, minutely reasoned out and profusely documented. Vādirāja was a versatile genius and proved himself successful by contributing a good number of works to the various branches of knowledge.

As he has been a gifted poet, his works embellish with poetic beauty. Even the Vedānta (Śāstric) works enshrine with poetic beauty. He was a profound scholar and successful debator of repute. He was a gifted religious poet in Sanskrit and also a well-known saint in the line of Haridāśas of Karnatak. He has composed devotional songs in Kannada, Tulu and also it is learnt in Telugu.

The style of Vādirāja is unique and peculiar of its kind. It is simple, lucid in exposition, deep in devotion and novel in narration. The alliteration and other literary merits of his language have enriched his style. His hair-

splitting criticism, appealing argument and enlightening exposition cause thrilling sensation to the admiring readers.²⁸

According to the tradition and also the reference in the V.G.C. (III-66), more than hundred works stand to his credit.²⁹ Though half of them are of the nature of stotras they are also significant since they too delineate the philosophic truth in most appealing manner in a nutshell.

B.N.K.Sharma, the great Dvaita scholar of the present times, remarks about Vādirāja- "His fine poetic faculty and human touch, the quick flashes of his wit and humour, his apt analogies from life and literature and his racy way of putting the things have made him the most popular and enthusiastically applauded writer in Dvaita literature. He thinks in poetry and argues in it with all the richness and irresistibility of its appeal..."

His works show an intense personal fervor and passionate faith in the religious and metaphysical satisfyingness and superiority of Mādhva Siddhānta. He pays deep homage and unstinting tribute to the memory of Madhva and modestly disclaims all originality for his views."³⁰

K.T.Pandurangi observes that "His works have scholastic

appeal as well as devotional appeal. We find in him a scholar, a poet and a great saint of mystic eminence... The sharpness of the logic of Śrī Vādirājatīrtha pierces the heart, while the poetry of his illustrations moves the head in delight."³¹

The works of Vādirāja may be classified broadly as follows:-

1. Vedānta works - Original
- Commentaries
2. Kāvyaś
3. Stotras and others
4. Kannada works
5. Tulu works

I. INDEPENDENT WORKS

A. ŚĀSTRIC WORKS

1. Yuktimallikā:³² It is the magnum opus of Vādirāja. It is written in defence of the Dvaita system. It is a critical exposition of all the doctrines of the Dvaita system of Vedānta. It also examines the passages of Śruti, Smṛti, Itihāsa, Purāṇa and the like. Critically interpreting the statements of these texts, that have been misinterpreted by others, it unfolds the relevancy of them.

There are five main chapters as Saurabhas in this work. They are: Gunasaurabha, Śuddhisaurabha, Bhedasaurabha, Viśvasaurabha and Phalasaurabha. In the Gunasaurabha, Nirguṇa concept of the Advaita is refuted and Sagunatva of Brahman is established. In the Śuddhisaurabha, the Advaita concept of Ajnāna is proved baseless and the Nirdoṣatva of the Lord is vindicated. The Bhedasaurabha explains the five-fold differences in the most befitting manner. The Viśvasaurabha disproves the Advaita view of Mithyātva of the world and establishes the Satyatva of the same. In the last, viz. the Phalasaurabha, the nature of the salvation is described and the several means to attain it are enumerated. There itself, Madhva is glorified as the third incarnation of God Vāyu.

Thus, the Yuktimallikā is a rare work of its kind. It is well said: 'This work combines great erudition with an incredibly simple yet poetically charming style characteristic of Vādirāja, full of puns, alliteration and wit and analogies from life.'³³ The works Vr.R.S., V.G.M., and S.Vr.A. also describe the greatness of the Yuktimallikā.³⁴

2. Nyāyaratnāvali:³⁵ Like the Yuktimallikā, the Nyāyaratnāvali is also written in poetic form. There are five chapters by name Sāra. It runs in 899 verses. As a whole, it attacks successfully and refutes rationally Śaṅkara's

non-dualism and establishes the doctrines of dualism (Dvaita). The title is significant since it comprises the jewels of Vedānta Nyāyas. The work is also called as Anuyuktimallikā.

3. Cakramīmāṃsā:³⁶ The Cakramīmāṃsā critically examines the relevancy of the Taptamudrādhāraṇa and states that the Taptamudrādhāraṇa is most essential for the fulfilment of Vaiṣṇavatva.

4. Haribhaktalātā:³⁷ The Haribhaktalātā is written in anuṣṭub verses, in all there are 394 verses. The work summarises the concept of Bhakti, its importance in receiving the grace of the Lord. The supremacy of Lord Viṣṇu is related by perusing some Vedic passages, Purāṇic statements and episodes.³⁸

5. Śrutitattvapraśāṅkā:³⁹ In the Śrutitattvapraśāṅkā, the six Mahākāvyas of different Upaniṣads are critically examined and are convincingly explained. This work is written in the poetic form, running into 507 verses.

6. Upanyāsa Ratnamālā:⁴⁰ It is said that Vādirāja originally wrote ten lectures which are known as Upanyāsa-ratnamālā. But unfortunately, only three are available and are published. There are deformed manuscripts in Sode

Vādirāja mutt, that are incomplete and unreadable.

The ten lectures are as follows:

- (1) Two lectures, giving the exposition of the two verses of the Rukmīṇīsavijaya;
- (2) Seven lectures relating to the Pramāṇa Paddhati;
- (3) One relating to the Upādhikhaṇḍana.

The lectures, falling under II category below, are not available in their complete forms.

7. Ekādaśī-nirṇaya:⁴¹ Vādirāja, following closely Madhva, has written the work Ekādaśī-nirṇaya. He has determined the aspects relating to the observance of Ekādaśī with authority. This work runs in 57 verses.

8. Bhugola-nirṇaya:⁴² The Bhugola-nirṇaya gives the geographical data of the entire earth as explained in the fifth chapter of the Bhāgavata and other works.

9. Sadācārasmr̥ti:⁴³ The Sadācārasmr̥ti gives a brief account of Madhva's work having the same name.

10. Pāṣaṇḍamatakhaṇḍana:⁴⁴ The Pāṣaṇḍamatakhaṇḍana is the refutation of the views of Jainism. Vādirāja, in

refuting the views of the Jainism, has followed the way of Tārīka school and thus has skillfully refuted them. It is written in verse form running into 129 verses.

11. Saṅkalpa Paddhati:⁴⁵ The Saṅkalpa Paddhati gives the clues regarding the Saṅkalpa observed at the commencement of any regular sacred (religious) worship of the day.

12. Kalpalatā:⁴⁶ The Kalpalatā is written in prose. It is the refutation of the work Pramāṇanirṇaya of Jainism written by Vādirājasūri. There are four parts each termed as Prasūnamālā. Vādirāja has refuted the Pramāṇanirṇaya line by line and word by word. Mainly the seven tenets of the Jainism, such as Syādaṣṭi and the like, have been proved baseless. Vādirāja's subtle and close examination of this Syādvāda and its refutation is an outstanding contribution to polemical literature.

13. Vivaraṇavṛṇa:⁴⁷ The Vivaraṇavṛṇa work is a refutation of Pañca Pādikāvivarana of Prakāśātmayati, a commentary on Pañcapādikā of Padmapāda, a disciple of Śaṅkara. In this, Vādirāja, not only refutes the text of the Pañcapādikāvivarana, but also its commentary Tattvādīpana simultaneously.

14. Śakunamālā:⁴⁸ The Śakunamālā is an interesting booklet

that deals with omens that presage good or evil.

15. Sanskṛt Sūtrārtha:⁴⁹ The doctrines of Dvaita Vedānta, in aphoristic style, have been enlisted in śloka form.

16. Adhikaraṇanāmāvali:⁵⁰ There are 564 Brahma Sūtras and 223 Adhikaraṇas. The Adhikaraṇa is the topic wherein same object of exposition is discussed with some sūtras. The Adhikaraṇanāmāvali of Vādirāja is a rare work of its kind which elucidates the gist and the import of each Adhikaraṇa in a nutshell.

There are some other works mentioned in Śrī Vādirāja Stotra Manjarī as original. They are: (17) Tāratamya⁵¹ (18) Muhūrtarāja,⁵² (19) Navasiddhāntasaṅgraha⁵³ and (20) Madhvavāgvaṅīrāvali.⁵⁴

The first two i.e. 17 and 18 are unpublished. And regarding the third, though published, there is difference of opinion in respect of its authorship. Some do not regard it as the work of Vādirāja. The style, language and the like do not guarantee the claim that it is the work of Vādirāja. The fourth is not found.

B. COMMENTARIES

1. Mahābhāratatātparyanirṇayabhāvaṇṇaśikā:⁵⁵ Madhva has written the Mahābhāratatātparyanirṇaya - a work that summarises the import of all śāstras, that gives the main running story of Rāmāyaṇa and Mahābhārata and the like. The significance of this work lies not only in the description of the story of the Rāmāyaṇa and the Mahābhārata, but more than Madhva has tried his best to remove the apparent contradiction, seen in the story of the Rāmāyaṇa and the Mahābhārata.

The com. of Vādirāja is not elaborate in length since it does not explain each and every verse of the text. But it is significant and exhaustive in respect of its dealing with and tackling the critical and crucial points of the text and also in giving the most appealing exposition.

2. Mahābhāratalakṣāṇāṅkāra:⁵⁶ Vādirāja, interpreting one lakh difficult words of the Mahābhārata, has consecrated the work at the feet of Lord Vedavyāsa. It is not the running com. of the Mahābhārata but gives the relevant meaning of one lakh words.

3. Tantrasāraṭīkā:⁵⁷ Not found; only mentioned in the V.S.M.

Vādirāja has also written commentaries on some of the Upaniṣadbhāṣyas of Madhva:

4. Talavakāropaniṣadbhāṣya⁵⁸
5. Māṇḍūkopaniṣadbhāṣya⁵⁹
6. Atharvanopaniṣadbhāṣya⁶⁰
7. Kāthakopaniṣadbhāṣya⁶¹
8. Tattārīyopaniṣadbhāṣya⁶²
9. Puruṣasūkta⁶³

C. GLOSSES

1. Nyāyasudhāgurvarthadīpikā:⁶⁴ It is one of the ancient glosses on the celebrated Nyāyasudhā of Jayatīrtha. When compared with others, it is not elaborate or lengthy in size. But, though short, it gives critical exposition of the topics and extracts of the text. Vādirāja in some places, gives his own exposition of the original text. Vādirāja deals with different Vedānta Nyāyas enumerated in Nyāyavivarana.

2. Tattvapraśāṅkāgurvarthadīpikā:⁶⁵ The Tattvapraśāṅkā of Jayatīrtha is the detailed com. on Brahmasūtrabhāṣya of Madhva. Although there are a number of coms. on the Tattvapraśāṅkā, Vādirāja's is a rare of its kind. As in the com. on the N.S., here also some points of the original text are interpreted distinctly.⁶⁶

Vādirāja has also written Tippanis on Upaniṣadbhāṣya-tīkāś:

3. Īśāvāsyopanīṣadbhāṣyatīkā⁶⁷
4. Ṣaṭpraśnopanīṣadbhāṣyatīkā⁶⁸

D. POEMS

1. Rukminīśavijaya: Vādirāja's Rukminīśavijaya is a Mahākāvya, containing 19 cantos and running into 1238 verses. It is embellished with all requisites of a Mahākāvya. The source of the work is the tenth chapter of the Bhāgavata. All the sentiments are delineated in a befitting manner by the author. As an addition or as a crown to these, the sentiment of Bhakti flows from the beginning to the end. It is a master-piece of literature to the critics and tasteful readers, a devotional song to the devotees of the Lord and a philosophical poem to the philosophers.⁷⁰ B.N.K.Sharma remarks, "It is given the rank of a 'Mahākāvya' in traditional circles. The descriptions are effective and natural. The style is deeply alliterative, sense and sound match well and the imagery is fine and lofty."⁷¹

2. Sarasabharatīvilāsa:⁷² The Sarasabharatīvilāsa is a poetic work consisting of 12 chapters designated as Vilāsa and runs in 695 verses. Each Vilāsa deals with the different topics of the Dvaita Siddhānta such as supremacy of Lord

Viṣṇu, Nirḍoṣatva nature of Goddess Lakṣmī, Jīvottamatva of the God Vāyu and the like. Its language, style, description etc. prove that it is also enriched with the literary merits.

3. Tīrthaprabandha:⁷³ The Tīrthaprabandha is a Khaṇḍa-kāvya that describes the holy places and rivers of our Indian continent. Vādirāja describes the holy centres and rivers with reference to mythological evidence and historical significance connected with them. As he toured far and wide in all the four directions of the land, the work is divided into four chapters, named after the directions. It is an informative work as it helps the pilgrims to know the importance of the holy places and rivers. It is glorified in the V.G.C. and the Vr.R.S.⁷⁴

4. Kavikadambakanthabhūṣā:⁷⁵ Though the Kavikadambakanthabhūṣā is in stotra form, it is enshined with literary merits. The alliteration is most appealing one.

5. Svapnavṛndāvanākhyāna:⁷⁶ Vādirāja might not have composed, the Svapnavṛndāvanākhyāna with his pen but it is he, who spelled and recited in the dream of an illiterate Brahmin who was deaf and dumb. And hence, the authorship of this work is ascribed to him. It had been drafted by

Rāmacandrācārya, a disciple of Vedanidhitīrtha. It is acclaimed as a divine work since being spelled in a dream of an illiterate. It was with the grace of Vādirāja that the Brahmin was capable to reproduce the verses in front of Vedanidhitīrtha. There are 22 chapters and 2340 verses in total. The description herein is in accordance with and agreeable to the Dvaita view. By the by, it also unveils the nature of Vādirāja and others who have been blessed by him. The style of the work is simple and it is rich with elements of poetic beauty. The glorification of this work is seen in the V.G.C. and the V.G.M.⁷⁷ The gist of this work in a nutshell has been collected by Vedanidhi. It was inscribed and that stone has been placed (installed) by the side of the Vṛndāvana of Vedavedya in Sondā which could be seen even today.⁷⁸

E. OTHER WORKS

Mention is also made about Vādirāja's com. on Viṣṇu-sahasranāma separately.⁷⁹ Recently one more work of Vādirāja by name Bhāgavatasāhgraha is discovered by me in Śrī Sode Vādirāja mutt, at Udupi. The beginning portion of the manuscripts is in a deformed condition. It is the collection of verses from the Bhāgavata. The last verse is quoted here as a proof.⁸⁰

One more work by name Śrīmadbhāgavatānukramanikā is found published,⁸¹ wherein Vādirāja has enlisted the incidents of the Bhāgavata in due order.

The Sanatsujātiyabhāṣya⁸² an exhaustive com. found in the M.B.Lakṣālaṅkāra, is sometimes treated as an independent work of Vādirāja. The original text contains the enumeration of advice, given to Dhṛtarāṣṭra by Sanatsujāta.

Apart from these, Vādirāja has also written a good number of stotras in Sanskrit.⁸³ Except one or two, all have been published.⁸⁴ Mention is made in the V.S.M.⁸⁵ as well as in the Śrī Vādirājaru.⁸⁶

Over than the Sanskrit works, Vādirāja has composed several Devaranāmas in Kannada⁸⁷ with the Aṅkita of Hayavadana as independent works such as Vaikunṭhavarṇane,⁸⁸ Lakṣmīśobhāna,⁸⁹ Svapnapada,⁹⁰ Gundakriye,⁹¹ Bhramaraḡite,⁹² Namaskārastotra,⁹³ Keśavanāma,⁹⁴ Naivedyaprakaraṇa,⁹⁵ Harisarvottamasāra,⁹⁶ Gajendramokṣa,⁹⁷ Kīcakavadhe,⁹⁸ Avatāratraya Suvvāli,⁹⁹ Kṛṣṇabālalīle,¹⁰⁰ Tulasīsaṅkīrtana¹⁰¹ and good many individual Kīrtanas, Ūgābhogas, Sulādis and the like. He has also written the Mahābhāratatātparyanirṇaya¹⁰² in Kannada. Other than these, there are some unpublished independent works such as Tattvasuvvāli, Birudinasuvvāli, Nāradakoravañji.

Vādirāja has also written some devotional songs in Tulu language by name Pāddana.

Two more independent Kannada works by name Pancabheda-stotra and Veṅkateśakalyāṇa of Vādirāja are found in manuscript form.

Recently, it is known that Vādirāja had composed some devotional songs in Telugu language, collection of them could be seen with K. Narahari Rao of Suratkal.

It seems to be beyond doubt that Vādirāja might have indeed composed few more works other than those mentioned above, both in Sanskrit and Kannada, that are unfortunately missing.

THE CRITICAL EXPOSITION
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"Philosophy attempts to arrive at a conception of the reality as a whole. It seeks to have a world view. It investigates the nature of the reality including nature, soul, God. It tries to interpret the meaning and value of human life and its relation to the world in which we live. Philosophy in this sense is the criticism of life and experience."¹⁰³

Philosophy and culture are the two eyes of human life. If culture could be treated as light that exposes the worthy path or way of the life, philosophy would be the pioneer guide that ensues the thoughts as to how to lead the life on that path. Thoughts, flashed from philosophy, would be more meaningful and useful if they are referred to and related with real aspects of knowledge. The philosophy is the branch of knowledge or science that pursues an inquiry into Truth (Ultimate). It is defined: "Philosophy is the highest form of inquiry just because it alone involves no presuppositions."

Philosophy as the knowledge ultimates... Shorter Oxford Dictionary defines philosophy as "that department of knowledge which deals with ultimate reality, or with the most general causes and principles of things."¹⁰⁴ In course of inquiry, it also discusses and reviews the sources and means of

realizing the Ultimate Truth and also related aspects, that are also truthful (real).

There lie different opinions among Scholars regarding the existence of Ultimate Truth and also related aspects. If some negate verily the existence,¹⁰⁵ others, though admit, disregard the auspicious form¹⁰⁶ of that, and some others go to the extent of depriving it of being an object of knowledge.¹⁰⁷ And it is Madhva, who for the first time in the history of philosophy, has tackled this issue convincingly and also in a manner agreeable to thought and reason. The propriety lies in his argument and exposition that the Ultimate Truth must be real at all times.¹⁰⁸ When truth is real, the sources and means to realize that must also be real. Madhva is not silent at this point of argument but traces the valid sources and means thereof precisely.

The reason,¹⁰⁹ emerged from thought, must have the support of infallible means. The reason cannot work independently, since it may sometimes give scope to counter-arguments and the like.¹¹⁰ Therefore, Madhva stresses the valid support and in his opinion, the infallible testimony, the Veda is the valid support. Madhva shows the significance of this and of others in his works.¹¹¹

Vādirāja, closely following Madhva, upholds the view in his works.¹¹² He affords the important place for reason in his works, particularly in the Yuktimallikā. In his opinion, Yukti is not merely the bare reason but something more. Yukti in the Yuktimallikā, not only appears in the form of reason, but it is an activating element that enables the mind to have the knowledge of discrimination. Its scope is wider and broader. It is reason with series of arguments graced with befitting and apt analogies. It stands supported by valid proofs - Pratyakṣa, infallible testimony, the Vedas and the like.

I. GUNASAURABHA

Vādirāja begins his Yuktimallikā with benedictory verses.¹¹³ The verses abound in deep devotion and are graced with poetic charm. The very first verse begins with the word Bhakti. Vādirāja offers salutations in the first verse to his favourite deity Lord Hayagrīva. From the second verse, he pays homage to Lord Vedavyāsa and then Madhva and others.

In the sixth verse, he modestly declares that, it is only the devotional service at the feet of Lord Hayagrīva that prompted him to write this work.¹¹⁴

Then, he proceeds to state as to why he has selected

the Dvaita Siddhānta as a topic and theme of his work. He says that starting from Jainism and Buddhism to the Advaita, all have been the Pūrvapakṣa and it is the Dvaita Siddhānta which is claimed as the Uttarapakṣa.¹¹⁵ He assures and promises that it can be ascertained by a close examination of the tenets of different schools and also of the Dvaita Siddhānta. Vādirāja expresses that he has resorted to this Siddhānta, only after having examined the merits and demerits of other schools and thus being fond of Yukti has written this work.¹¹⁶

Vādirāja then shows the impracticability of the Advaita system in brief. He says that neither the Mithyātva nor the identity of the Advaita stands firmly and pleases the scholars. He also points out that Brahman would be degraded and be stained with blemish of reproach when identity and Mithyātva are referred to and related to. Further, he states that as Māyāvāda is unhelpful for developing the theistic sentiments, he has preferred Dvaita Siddhānta to others.¹¹⁷

Thereafter, Vādirāja praises the Yuktimallikā in about nine verses. He says that it is not an ordinary work, to be compared with others. It is rare and peculiar of its kind. He states that it is an opportunity for him to reveal his poetic talent, logical skill, devotional fervour and also to

propagate the right doctrine. He says that this work is useful to both the scholars and the layman, like a flower, rejoiced by both gods and bees. And this work does not owe any likes and dislikes for any particular view point, but it is solely guided and supported by the infallible reasons.¹¹⁸

THE VEDAS ARE APAURUSEYA

"As the oldest Indian, and at the same time, the oldest Indo-European literary monument, a prominent place in the history of world literature is due to the Veda... As the Veda, because of its antiquity, stands at the head of Indian literature, no one who has not gained an insight into the Vedic literature can understand the spiritual life and the culture of the Indians."¹¹⁹

Rādhākṛṣṇan writes: "The Vedas are the earliest documents of the human mind that we possess."¹²⁰

Man is living in this world of wonders. He is its part and parcel. The environment wherein he lives, the society wherein he interacts and the ideals with which he is infested, are variegated. As he grows up and attains maturity, he inclines towards making an inquiry in every step of his life. He is enthusiastic about the objects of the world. To know the objects of the world in their reality, it is but inevitable

that the knowledge of the means that produce the knowledge of the objects is to be gained and made use of properly.¹²¹

The means of knowledge or Pramāṇas such as Pratyakṣa, Anumāna and Āgama, are widely accepted by one and all.¹²² Pratyakṣa,¹²³ the first and the foremost means, produces the knowledge by the contact of flawless sense organs with relevant objects. The Anumāna,¹²⁴ depending upon the valid data of the Pratyakṣa, in the form of Vyāpti¹²⁵ (invariable concomitance) produces the knowledge of objects. The Āgama¹²⁶ is the verbal testimony. It is the declaration of a reliable person that produces knowledge. The Vedas fall under the third category of Pramāṇas, namely Āgama.¹²⁷

The Pratyakṣa, Anumāna and Āgama declaration of a reliable person, become valid means of knowledge in secular level, but they are not competent in case of super-sensuous level. Because, there are some super-sensuous and abstract objects of knowledge, the knowledge of which cannot be gained neither by Pratyakṣa nor by Anumāna nor by Āgama of ordinary kind or of secular type. These objects are Dharma, Adharma, Truth, Sin, God and the like. Hence, it is the Vedas that are competent to deal with these objects.¹²⁸

The Vedas are the sacred treasures and back-bones of

Indian culture and thought. They are the original and remote sacred texts. The Vedas are limitless in number.¹²⁹ The Vedas are divided into four. Regarding the division of the Vedas, it is said "One undivided mass of Vedas was made four-fold to facilitate the performance of sacrifices."¹³⁰ About the remoteness and the authorship of the Vedas, there is diversity of opinion among traditional and modern scholars. The tradition holds that, the Vedas are impersonal, beginningless and eternal; whereas the modern scholars opine that Vedas are the compiled texts of seers of ancient times.¹³¹

The four Vedas are Rg, Yajus, Sāma and Atharvana. Therein, again, are four divisions in each - Sāmhita, Brāhmaṇa, Āraṇyaka and Upaniṣad. In its derivative sense, the term Veda stands for knowledge. According to some, Veda stands for Mantras (Sāmhitas) and Brāhmaṇas.¹³²

Vādirāja, in his Yuktimallikā, discusses Vedapauruṣeyatva first, since the Vedas are the valid means of knowledge of super-sensuous objects.¹³³

The main points of the topic, as summarised by K.T. Pandurāṅgi, are:¹³⁴

- "1. Vedas are not the authority but respective founders

of the systems are the authorities.

2. Neither the Vedas nor the founders, but the reasons are the authority.

3. Vedas are authority, but they are not Apauruseya, they are produced by Īśvara at each Kalpa in the same manner.

4. Vedas are authority; they are Apauruseya; but there is no Īśvara. Īśvara has nothing to do with Vedas.

5. Vedas are authority; they are Apauruseya and Nitya; they are revealed by the God exactly in the same way at each Kalpa."

Vādirāja tackles all the first four issues and justifies the fifth one in a lucid and logical manner.

There is a view that the Vedas are not the authority, but the founders of the various systems of philosophy are the authority. This view is not tenable because the opinion of one founder is not accepted by others. His explanation of Dharma, Adharma and the like are rejected by others. He alone cannot justify and establish his doctrine since opponents are more in number and hence a single man cannot

contradict many.¹³⁵ And moreover, that particular founder cannot declare himself as omniscient. As he is not omniscient, the statements made by him become not valid. Hence his statements are not authority since, they do not decide as to what is Dharma and what is Adharma. And his omniscience is not recognised and accepted by other founders.¹³⁶ To explain, the supposed creator of this universe is not accepted as omniscient by one and all. The Naiyāyikas say that the creator of this universe is the Over-Lord and authority. But the Buddhists do not accept this view. To them, the Buddha is the authority. The statements of Buddha oppose the views of the Naiyāyikas in respect of the performance of sacrifices, worship of the Lord and the like. Thus, the views of the founders of such systems oppose each other. Whatever becomes Dharma to one, becomes Adharma to another. Performance of the sacrifice is opposed by the Buddha whereas it is upheld by others like Lord Īśvara.¹³⁷ Hence, nothing can be concluded and be declared as authority with the help of the views of such founders of the different systems.¹³⁸

The second view is also not advisable. The Yukti (reason), an outcome of human intellect,¹³⁹ cannot work properly and decide about super-human things.¹⁴⁰ Reason becomes valid only when it is supported by explicit data of other means. Otherwise it fails at every step, particularly in respect

of Dharma, Adharma and the like. If reason is unduly recommended and accepted, then it may lead to disharmony and accredit blemish in character and thus spoils the very purity in the society. To explain: Thinking, repetition to be useless duplication, one may give up repeating the mantras. One may kill others saying that one wants to free the soul suffering bondage in the body. In the same way, human logic or reason is apt to lead to so many ridiculous results. So every one should depend upon the sacred verbal testimony which is eternal and beginningless.¹⁴¹ Our (human) activities may lead to good results, sometimes to no results and sometimes to wrong results. Therefore, human logic, as it is not independently competent, sometimes even in case of secular things, cannot help to conclude anything about Dharma, Adharma and the like. Hence, the sacred verbal testimony, that has come down to us through tradition since time beginningless, should be accepted as valid means of knowledge since it is devoid of any personal faults or defects.¹⁴²

The third point is that the Vedas are the authority; but, they are not Apauruseya. Vādirāja discusses the view and justifies that the Vedas are Apauruseya.

The authorship of the Vedas cannot be assigned to any one of the founders of the schools of philosophy. Among the

founders of (1) Cārvāka, (2) Buddhism, (3) Jainism, (4) Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika, (5) Sāṅkhya-Yoga, (6) Mīmāṃsā and (7) the Vedānta; the first three do not recognise the authority of the Vedas. The remaining four have nowhere declared that they are the authors of the Vedas. But, they agree so far as the authority of the Vedas is concerned.¹⁴³

The Sāṅkhyas, the Mīmāṃsakas and the Vedāntins contend that the Vedas were not written and produced by the Lord. But, the Naiyāyikas hold that the Vedas were written by the Lord.

But, the view of the Naiyā-Vaiśeṣikas is not tenable since their God¹⁴⁴ has nobody¹⁴⁵ and as such cannot produce the Vedas.¹⁴⁶ And this cannot be the origination or production like their atomic theory.¹⁴⁷ The sound of a word, a product of articulation needs the efforts of the constituents of the mouth. Thus, it is possible only when the being has a body of such kind. Even if it is granted that after creation, their god assumes the physical body, the authorship of the Vedas cannot be assigned to him, since even before that, the Vedas were existing which is evident from the statements like 'Sāmas originated from Rks.'¹⁴⁸ Without the Vedic hymns, the various sacrifices could not be performed. And even at the time of creation, the Lord

instructed the Vedas to His son and declared that He was not the author or producer of the Vedas. And during Pralaya (before creation) the goddess Durgā, recites the Vedic hymns to awaken the Lord.¹⁴⁹ So, it is clear that the Vedas were existing even before the world-creation.¹⁵⁰ The explicit personality of Lord Hayagrīva also justifies the same, since He is holding the sacred books of the Veda in His hand. He teaches the Vedas to God Brahmā in the same eternal order.¹⁵¹ The Lord, although Omniscient and Omnipotent, does not alter the order in the wording of the Vedas to disturb the eternal order.¹⁵² So the order, found in the Vedas, is unaltered and is eternally the same.¹⁵³

Vādirāja, in this context, as an allied topic, discusses the eternity of the Vedas in all respects. In general, order of words in a sentence are not the same everywhere and at all times. It may differ from man to man, place to place and time to time since they are the product of human intellect. But, in the case of the Veda, even the syllable, the word and the sentence, from eternity, are all put in the same order. The order is eternal since it is there in Īśvarabuddhi which is Nityopādhi. As Īśvara is eternal, His Buddhi, in the form of Upādhi (eternal source of manifestation) is also eternal; hence, the order of the sentence etc., in the Vedas, is eternal. So this order is due to the Nityopādhi of Īśvarabuddhi.¹⁵⁴

The Pancarātra texts and the Purāṇas are Pauruṣeya as they are the compositions of the Lord. Because there are no statements in the Purāṇas to say that, like the Vedas, the Purāṇas are also Apauruṣeya. Perhaps, there are valid statements to prove that they are Pauruṣeya. The god Brahmā and others learn and remember the Vedas articulated by the Lord. And the same is followed by all the teachers. So the Vedas are Apauruṣeya. Otherwise, the order etc., in the Vedas might be modified and reshaped by all and as such the authorship might be attributed to one and all. In the case of non-eternal and secular texts, dual-authorship may be accepted since everything is there in the Īśvarabuddhi and it is then produced through a particular human being of supra-natural calibre.

It should never be inferred that the name of the author of the Vedas is missing unknowingly. Normally, even sometimes the secret and unknown work attains popularity through the author's popularity. Here, the Veda is not secret and unknown and moreover, the eternity of this is held by tradition. But, the same tradition has never and nowhere referred to the author's name. And nobody can hide the author (name) of limitless Vedas of eternity. Therefore, the Vedas are authorless.¹⁵⁵

The fourth view, that of Mīmāṃsakas, is also not correct since that rules out the necessity of the presence of the Lord. They accept the Apauruṣeyatva of the Vedas but they have no faith in the existence of the Lord.

Vādirāja refutes this view very skillfully, saying that the Mīmāṃsakas are Anāthas or orphans whereas he and the like are Sanāthas having care-takers. The Vedas are Apauruṣeya according to them. If the existence of the Lord is not accepted then, how are the Vedas retained in Pralaya or annihilation and how are they reproduced and articulated at the time of creation. The reproduction and the articulation is possible only when there is a living being such as the Lord. So, the existence of the Lord should be recognised; otherwise, the Vedas might be known as Pauruṣeya - a view, not accepted by the Mīmāṃsakas themselves. Therefore, the existence of God should be recognised by all.

The fifth view which is upheld by the Dvaita system is that the Vedas are Apauruṣeya and Nitya. They are the sole authority in respect of Dharma, Adharma and the like. They are reproduced and revealed by the Lord exactly in the same way in each Kalpa.¹⁵⁶ Thus the Vedas should be recognised as primary and ultimate source of evidence. As irrespective of any Kalpa and Yuga they remain authority, one can understand

properly as to what is right (Dharma) and what is wrong (Adharma) by studying the eternal Vedas. And moreover, the effects or the results (fruits) of the Vedic hymns are also experienced by so many aspirants.¹⁵⁷ The Vedas are so called since they convey the sense of Dharma.¹⁵⁸

The Vedas are uncreated and as such they are not defective due to the inclination of personal attachment. Because, the inclination of personal attachment may be found where the works are written or composed by some persons of same sect. Or, sometimes it is found in case of close relatives on account of relative intimacy towards them. But the Vedas are neither written by any person nor are they defective due to the inclination of personal attachment. So this is the primary and ultimate source of truth and of knowledge of the Lord.¹⁵⁹

CRITICISM OF CĀRVĀKAVĀDA

In general outlook, materialism represents the tendency that seeks to reduce the higher to the lower or explain the higher phenomena in the light of the lower ones.¹⁶⁰

The Cārvāka of Indian Materialism seems to be an old system and is known as the atheistic or Materialistic School of Indian Philosophy. The reference about this system, are

found even in the Pre-Buddhistic and the Buddhistic literature.^{160A} The founder of this system is known as Bṛhaspati. The references to this system, are also seen in the Upaniṣadic literature.

The main tenets of this system are described thus:

1. Earth, water, fire and air are the four elements.
2. Bodies, senses, and objects are the results of the different combinations of the elements.
3. Consciousness arises from matter like the intoxicating quality of wine arising from fermented yeast.
4. Soul is nothing but conscious body.
5. Enjoyment is the only end of human life.
6. Death itself is the liberation.¹⁶¹

Vādirāja refutes the views of the Cārvāka system logically.

The epistemology of the Cārvāka system is that the perception alone is the valid means (Pramāṇa) of knowledge. But this belief is not sound. Because, if perception alone is admitted as the Pramāṇa, then this statement itself becomes invalid. The perception is the contact between the sense-organs and their objects. Everywhere and at all times this type of contact is impossible. In that case one has to advocate some reliable statements causing the same

sense. If one does not make any statements, then one cannot make others know the things or gain the knowledge.¹⁶² Because, the very statement is verbal testimony which is not accepted as a valid means of knowledge by the Cārvāka. Thus, he cannot open his mouth to convince others or to teach others. When a statement is made as "Perception alone is Pramāṇa" and if this statement is accepted as valid, then the very statement becomes invalid. If it is not considered as valid, then also it is useless. Thus, by both, there is futility in advocating and accepting perception as the only means of valid knowledge. The invalidity accrues with the means when they fail to convey the sense and do not denote the objects to be denoted.¹⁶³ So the theory of Pramāṇa, advanced by the Cārvākas is not acceptable since it does not fulfill the required conditions. Thus, the verbal testimony becomes valid as it has not faced adversity in any way. The single Pramāṇa i.e., perception cannot protect the Cārvākas, as it causes injury to themselves.¹⁶⁴

As Anumāṇa (inference) is not considered as a valid means, the Cārvāka has to shut his mouth in scholarly debates. Because, there he cannot participate since he cannot advance any arguments. Advancing arguments is the core of inference. When the inference is not accepted, there is no scope for arguments. The knowledge of perceptive observance cannot

clear the doubts of opponents and satisfy them. Thus, he becomes ineligible and incompetent to participate in the debates.¹⁶⁵ If something is said about the thing perceived, it does not convey any sense, since that expression itself is invalid. If he argues for validity to that, then it is but inevitable that he has to accept both Anumāna and Śabda as valid. Then only he can advance arguments. Even when he does not argue, his silence cannot disregard and debar the possibility of the validity of inference.¹⁶⁶

The rejection of inference and verbal testimony narrows down the scope to express our thoughts and ideas which cannot be perceived.¹⁶⁷ So, those who incline to think and to discuss, should necessarily and involuntarily or voluntarily resort to the inference and verbal testimony.

Accepting perception as the only valid means of knowledge and at the same time rejecting the validity to inference and testimony is not helpful to gain knowledge. Therefore, one has to accept the validity of all the three means of knowledge, namely perception, inference and testimony.¹⁶⁸

C.D.Sharma has rightly observed- "The Cārvāka view that perception is valid and inference is invalid is itself a result of inference... Thoughts and ideas, not being material objects, cannot be perceived, they can only be inferred...

Pure perception, in the sense of mere sensation, cannot be regarded as a means of knowledge unless conception of thought has arranged into order and has given meaning and significance to the loose threads of sense-data."¹⁶⁹

Vādirāja discusses the invisible destiny before coming to the description of the Jīva or embodied soul connected with this. It is said that Cārvākas have not accepted the theological truths such as Adr̥ṣṭa,¹⁷⁰ Karma and the like. We cannot deny the possibility of invisible destiny for it is this that has caused difference among the individual souls. The perceptible body, organs etc., cannot be held as the cause of this difference. Because, both the poor and rich may have similarity in their physic and desire. But even then such a notable difference is seen in the society. Thus, when the effect is clearly seen there must be a cause. When the cause is not seen, it cannot be said that effect resulted without the cause. The cause and the effect relation is a universal principle and it cannot be disregarded by any one. So, here an invisible cause Adr̥ṣṭa is to be accepted inevitably.¹⁷¹ And this Adr̥ṣṭa differs from person to person and is also under the control of the Lord.¹⁷²

The view of the Cārvākas that there is no Jīva as such,

apart from the body, is critically examined at length and refuted by Vādirāja. Just being dependent or being controlled by this Adṛṣṭa, the Jīva performs the activities causing different results. If Caitanya or consciousness is accepted as the very body then what is the difference between a living body and a dead body? - asks Vādirāja.

If the existence of the Jīva is not accepted on account of the presence of the sense-organs, one cannot differentiate a living body from a dead one. It cannot also be said that the breathing is the standard since we cannot perceive the breathing in the case of minute bodies like insects etc. So one has to accept the existence of soul in the body.¹⁷³ The Cārvāka's contention of this kind is the result of their epistemological point of view. As perception cannot behold the Jīva and prove its existence they took it for granted that there is no Jīva besides the body.

The Cārvāka says that the consciousness in the body, originates by the proportionate combination of the material elements - earth, water, wind, and fire¹⁷⁴ like the red colour that originates by the combination of pan-leaf, arecanut and lime. If it is accepted, then, why should the consciousness not be present in a dead-body wherein there are all the four elements. According to the Cārvāka, consciousness should also exist in a dead body.¹⁷⁵

But this view is not correct. Because, the reddish colour that results from the combination of leaf, arecanut and lime, is also material unlike non-material consciousness. So whatever is not there in any constituents of a cause, cannot get resulted in the product. Consciousness is not an attribute of any of these constituents. So their combination cannot produce consciousness. On account of the proximity of red flower, marble appears red and that redness cannot be brought in formless air by any means. In the same way, if there would have been consciousness in any one of the constituents of the cause then the theory of Cārvākas would have been correct. But consciousness, an attribute of non-matter Jīva cannot be considered as a product of material elements.¹⁷⁶ The gathering of hundred blind persons cannot give rise to visual power, but only with the help of a visioned person there can be visual power. In the same way, a body also can live only when it is associated with Jīva an embodiment of consciousness. And moreover, with artificial means, a body cannot be made active or to live. Because, a well-painted eye in a picture can behold nothing. So one has to accept the existence of the Jīva voluntarily which is entirely distinct from the material body. Thus, one is called Dehī.¹⁷⁷ The term Dehī can thus be explained as one having a material body. Thus the derivative explanation also proves the existence of Jīva who is entirely different from the material body.¹⁷⁸

The Jīva as different from the material body, can be established with reasoning. The just born infant voluntarily inclines towards breast-feeding. That infant is in no way taught regarding breast-feeding by anybody. It is the impact of past life (experience) that it inherits the experience and feels happy in breast-feeding. Here, there is not the same body to retain the experience. And it is seen clearly that the consciousness of an experience is not an attribute of the body. So, on this ground, one can infer the presence of Jīva apart from the body. It is something other than the body that constitutes the attributes such as consciousness, knowledge and the like and that is the Jīva.¹⁷⁹ Thus, the body may change whereas Jīva is the same since he is carrying the experience of past-lives, like food may change but experience of food-taken can be retained. In the same way, the body is different and the Jīva is different. If this is not accepted then breaking, splitting, cutting etc., would have to be attributed to the consciousness element which is not desirable.¹⁸⁰ Hence the Jīva is different and eternal.

When the existence of the Jīva is accepted, it cannot be said that he is formless. The nature (form) of the Jīva is of Jñāna and Ānanda. The nature of Jñāna and Ānanda is to be accepted since it is asserted in the Vedas¹⁸¹ (Śruti) that the Jīva is the Pratibimba of Īśvara and it is described

in the Śrutis that the liberated souls experience all sorts of blissful enjoyments. As God is an embodiment of (nature of) unlimited and eternal Jñāna, Ānanda and other auspicious qualities, the Jīvas being Pratīmba of God, are also embodiments of eternal Jñāna, Ānanda and the like, but¹⁸² a limited scope. The reason also does not come in the way of proving the nature of Jñāna and Ānanda to Jīva. As atomic form and nature is recognised and accepted in the case of atoms, likewise nature of Jñāna and Ānanda can be accepted in the Jīvas.¹⁸² As the minute atomic form and nature is invisible, in the same way the nature of Jñāna and Ānanda of Jīvas is also invisible to our material eyes. As the atomic form (Pārimaṇḍalya etc.) can be recognised with the help of the advanced and scientific instruments; in the same way, the nature and form of the Jīva can also be recognised and realised by the divine power of sight. Thus, as atoms have the eternal atomic nature in the same way the Jīvas also have the nature of Jñāna and Ānanda. They are lusture-natured or formed.¹⁸³

It may also be sometimes questioned "why not the Jīvas be formless like ether?". But Vādirāja says that even the ether has its own form and nature. The natural form, giving scope to space for all, is the form of the ether. And moreover, it looks blue from a distance. In the same way

everything has its own nature and form. At this juncture, Vādirāja ridicules the Nirākāravāda of the Advaitins.¹⁸⁴ He states that everything is (including the Lord) having the form of Jñāna and Ānanda.¹⁸⁵ The acceptable view is that the Jīva is lustrous and all his minute parts such as face, hands, feet etc. are also lustrous. Moreover, it is but practical experience to everyone that material should be different from non-material.¹⁸⁶ In this body made of material elements, fire has its own form; in the same way, let there be form to that also (Jīva) made of pure lustre. We do find the references regarding the lustrous and other formed Jīvas in their respective worlds.¹⁸⁷ So all the Jīvas are of the nature of bliss and knowledge and possess the limbs of Jñānānanda which are eternally real.¹⁸⁸ Otherwise, they cannot be treated as Pratibimbās of the Lord. The Pratibimba, although being entirely different, carries the same nature and form of Bimba as seen everywhere. Bimba Lord is of the nature of Jñāna and Ānanda, so Pratibimbajīvas are also of the nature of Jñāna and Ānanda. The Śruti also supports this view.¹⁸⁹ Hence, the form with hands, feet etc., is natural to the Jīvas, as being closely attached to this; the Liṅga-deha has also the form (of the same kind). And these Liṅga-dehas are made of Prakṛti contents. These contents of Prakṛti have atomic form. So, they themselves cannot take the form of hands, feet etc. So, it is by the close association with the

Svarūpa-body of Jīva (having the form of hands, feet etc.)

Liṅga-dehas have the form of feet, hand, etc. Liṅga-dehas are the garments, made of Prakṛti of Svarūpa body of Jīva. The Liṅga-deha gets the form of Svarūpa body of Jīva.¹⁹⁰

So the form of hands, feet etc., is there in the Jīvas naturally and eternally and Liṅga-Śarīra (form) is like the garment of that.¹⁹¹ Otherwise let all the material products (forms) have the hands, feet etc., of their own like human beings, which is impossible and impracticable. Therefore, a natural and of its own-kind form must be accepted in the case of the Jīva.¹⁹²

Vādirāja then attacks the ethics of the Cārvākas. He says that the Cārvākas' ethics is not at all the ethics on account of the absence of any morals in the system. The doctrines of any philosophical system should have the base of morals or ethics. The system becomes sound and firm if it is supported by ethics.

The ethics of Cārvākas is a path unrestricted and unrestrained. Every one is given freedom of all kinds and of all sorts. It preaches the enjoyment of worldly pleasures. When the core of life is spoiled, when the society is polluted; the Cārvākas cannot control or overcome the misfortunes since there is no steps in his system to control all that.¹⁹³

The freedom sanctioned by Cārvāka system may lead to excess indulgence of worldly enjoyments, and that in course, indeed, causes bad results. Excess eating leads to indigestion and the like. So taking into consideration all these, one has to conclude that, everything has got its own limitations. Identifying and realising the limitations, one should try his best to gain the pleasure not mixed with mispleasure.¹⁹⁴

The scholars do not like the path of Cārvākas as it leads to troubles and then displeasure. And the illiterate do not require the help of Cārvāka system. Thus neither the wise nor the layman prefer this system. So, on account of its uselessness the Cārvāka system has become non-effective like the impotent weapons having no power.¹⁹⁵ There is no topic (good) to be studied and there is no proper relation among these as there is no utility. So the whole Cārvāka system lacks in having essential qualifications of a system (Viśaya, Adhikārī, Pravojana and Sambandha). K.T.Pandurangi has rightly observed the defective ethics of the Cārvākas: "... This will certainly make his life and the life of his fellow-beings miserable because of excessive indulgence. No civics or ethics is possible for a selfless society."¹⁹⁶ C.D.Sharma remarks, "The ethics of the Cārvāka is a crude individual hedonism; pleasure of the senses in this life and that too of the individual is the soul end."¹⁹⁷

CRITICISM OF JAINISM AND BUDDHISM

After bringing out the futility of the Cārvākavāda, Vādirāja takes up the Jainism and the Buddhism for critical consideration. Both these systems are being referred to simultaneously on account of similarities in so many aspects between them.

According to Vādirāja, the attack of the Buddhism and the Jainism on the Vedic religion is surprising. Their argument is, when killing of beasts is a sin in ordinary cases, then it must also be a sin in sacrifices. They question as to why alone killing of animals, in ordinary cases, is a sinful act? But they must know that Dharma and Adharma are super-sensuous elements and cannot be ascertained by inference. The inference cannot act independently since it is always dependent either upon perception or on testimony.¹⁹⁸ The baseless argument may even prove right what is actually wrong, like drinking of liquor may be admissible as it is also a liquid like milk. Hence, baseless inference is of no use. If baseless reason is resorted to, then, cutting the head of a person, just to relieve him from the bondage of Samsāra may also become a worthy act. So reason, unsupported, cannot be a Pramāṇa in ascertaining the Dharma and Adharma or what is sin and what is not. Vādirāja says that only on the basis of reason, eating of meat cannot be

prohibited which is done by the Jainas.¹⁹⁹ Because, as rice is the produce of five elements, meat also is a produce of five elements. On this reason, eating of meat cannot be prohibited and for that one can kill animals. Thus the Jainas have to accept killing of animals and eating their meat.²⁰⁰

The total non-violence²⁰¹ is impossible and impracticable. Even the Jainas directly or indirectly engage in violence. While constructing the Jaina temples, during roaming about of the Jaina monks, lakhs of creatures are mercilessly slain. Holding the peacock feather and eating the salt etc. are also the acts of violence.²⁰²

The Jainas accept only two types of Jīvas, the liberated and bound. Vādirāja urges for the acceptance of the third, supreme Cetana (God) who is the doer of all the deeds in this world.²⁰³

Vādirāja takes up then the Svabhāvavāda²⁰⁴ of the Buddhists.²⁰⁵ According to this Vāda, matter acts on its own accord with the help of its intrinsic nature.²⁰⁶ But, this is not sound because the Svabhāva accepted by the Buddhists is also Jada (insentient) like a pot. As pot cannot move by itself, in the same way, the Svabhāva, being Jada, cannot move and make the object move and act.²⁰⁷ If Svabhāva is

regarded as Ajaḍa (sentient) and Asvatantra (dependent) then also Svabhāva is to be initiated by some Svatantra (independent) being. Because an Asvatantra being cannot do anything independently. It does require the help of a Svatantra being. And it cannot be said that let there be an individual Cetana (activating element) to each Svabhāva. Because, then there may be limitless Svatantra beings acting in their own way creating chaos and confusion. So it is not tenable to admit limitless individual Svatantra beings. If an Independent Cetana is accepted, then, it would prove that the Buddhists differ only in terminology. Because, the Lord is the Independent Cetana who initiates and activates the whole world.²⁰⁸ As a Cetana potter is required to produce and shape the pot, a supreme Cetana must also be there to create this wonderful world.²⁰⁹ If Svabhāva is the cause of everything then it should bestow upon the Buddhist the liberation. His engagement in the practice of rigid vows would be useless. So Svabhāva of a Jāḍa should be initiated by an Ajaḍa or Cetana.

Even the unseen things like sin and merit cannot make the man act and attain the cherished goal. Because, they are also Jāḍas. To make them active, the help of a Cetana is required. It is only the God who makes them active. The power of activating the Jāḍa, being present in That, is seen

clearly. Narasiṃha, who came out of a pillar and protected Prahlāda. So, He alone is Omnipresent and He alone dwells in the hearts of all to control and activate.²¹⁰ Thus even the Svabhāva of Jada is under the control of the Lord. Vādirāja, in this respect, cites some other examples and shows that Jada cannot act without the initiation of the Lord. Even the destiny cannot play its role without the help of the Lord. Adṛṣṭa or destiny becomes active only when the Lord minds it to be active. Thus Adṛṣṭa is also under the control of the Lord.²¹¹ The logic also corroborates this view as all the effects (products) pre-suppose the presence of the doer. So, there cannot be found even a single instance where this law is violated.²¹² So, Jada acts when motivated by Ajāda. So the Lord is the controller and regulator of all. The Svabhāvavādin cannot reply, when questioned, as to why gem alone has lustre and not in case of other stones, since gem is also a type of stone. It is the will of the Supreme-Controller that the gem should be lustrous. It does not mean that, the importance of the Svabhāva of objects is totally ignored. The Svabhāva of objects is accepted to the extents of the intrinsic capacity in the form of the eligibility as such. The raw-material mud has its own Svabhāva of becoming pot which is not seen in other things. Thus Svabhāva is not ignored and to make it active, the initiation of the Lord is necessary. Thus originally,

all the Jādas such as Svabhāva, Karma, Adṛṣṭa etc.,²¹³ are inactive and they become active by the favour of the Cetana Lord.²¹⁴ Thus Svabhāva establishes the existence of the Lord. The Svabhāva cannot be said to be one uniformly present in all objects. It differs from object to object and place to place. It is the eternal will of God, that wills that with gradation the Svabhāva should be different in all objects. And this difference of Svabhāva is practically seen when one is blind and another is deaf. If it (Svabhāva) were one and alone, blindness and deafness would have been there in all and there should not be difference between the two. But it is not so. Therefore, the Svabhāva is different and unique in all objects.²¹⁵

Likewise, Karma cannot be treated as an independent cause of all effects. It is also dependent and controlled by the Lord.²¹⁶ If it is held that Karma is the sole cause of birth and death etc., then, in practical life, killer-killed relation would become meaningless. And there cannot be any sin when one is slain, saying that he is slain due to his Karma. So it is not the cause of any effect. Like the Svabhāva it also acts when being initiated by the Lord. The importance of Karma is accepted in this context as that of the Svabhāva. Thus, Karma also seeks the help of a Cetana Lord. So, it is inevitable that one has to accept the

existence of the Supreme Lord who controls and activates all (the whole world) such as Svabhāva, Karma and the like.²¹⁷

Thus, in this context, a few views of the Jainism and Buddhism are tackled, combindly. The excess indulgence in Ahiṃsā, the concept of Jīva, the Svabhāvavāda etc., are criticised; and with reason of practical value and authority, the existence of the Lord as the Sovereign and Supreme activating Agent is established.

THE RĀMĀYANA SVATASTVA (Self-validity of Knowledge)

M.Hiriyāna writes: 'Indian theories of knowledge are divisible broadly into two classes- one maintaining the self-validity (svataḥ-prāmānya) of knowledge; and the other contending that it needs to be validated by an extraneous means (parataḥ-prāmānya). In the former view, whenever knowledge arises, the presumption is that it is right; and verification becomes necessary only when there is some circumstance throwing doubt upon it. In the latter case, knowledge by itself guarantees nothing in this respect; and its truth or falsity is to be ascertained through some appropriate test.'²¹⁸

In the system of Madhva the doctrine of self-validity of knowledge is the consideration of any knowledge as valid

by the intuitive agent (Sākṣin)²¹⁹ which experiences that knowledge without being hindered by any defects or any other obstruction.²²⁰

It is a well discussed topic in Indian philosophy. Whether the validity of the knowledge has its origin through the same conditions that produce the knowledge or by any other external conditions, and whether the ascertainment of the validity of knowledge is through the same conditions that make us to ascertain the knowledge or by any other external conditions. Vādirāja examines the question whether the validity of the knowledge needs external verification or not.

The Nyāya-Vaiśeṣikas opine that validity of experience or knowledge requires external verification. According to them, both validity and invalidity are originated and ascertained by the external conditions that are instrumental to the rise of knowledge.²²¹ It is called Prāmānya-Paratastva.²²² They argue that if validity and invalidity were to be intrinsic then knowledge of any kind should not be false. But there arises falsity of knowledge. And hence we have to depend upon some external conditions for the validity. This school holds that knowledge is apprehended by mental perception whereas its validity is inferred by correspondence or texts. Hence, Prāmānya is Paratastva.²²³

The Mīmāṃsakas²²⁴ and the Advaitins²²⁵ contend that validity is intrinsic and invalidity is extrinsic.^{225A}

The Bhāṭṭa view, referring to the Jñātātā, (cognizedness) states that validity is inferred through this Jñātātā.²²⁶ Therefore, here validity is intrinsic, only in name and not in reality.

The Prābhākaras say that validity results from the knowledge itself and there is no invalidity at all.²²⁷

The Sāṅkhyas hold the view that both validity and invalidity are innate.²²⁸ Both are organic to knowledge.

The Dvaita view is that validity is intrinsic with reference to its origin and ascertainment.²²⁹ Both the knowledge and its validity are cognized by the Sākṣin,²³⁰ whereas invalidity originates by the defects associated with the instruments of the knowledge.²³¹ In the Siddhānta, it is the nature of Sākṣin, that, gaining the knowledge of objects grasps its validity also without any external aid or verification.^{231A} In common practice it is seen that when we acquire the knowledge of an object, we proceed to deal with that. It means, here validity of that knowledge is also gained. If at all, there is any need to verify the validity, then

there would not have been any hasty dealing with the object known.

The acceptance of the Sākṣin is necessary because of of the limitations of other means of knowledge such as mind and the senses.²³² It is evident that, knowledge derived through the sense-organs, sometimes, if not always, needs correction by the subsequent evidences. It may be better Pratyakṣa, inference or other means. And these means and tests, sometimes, would need further tests, and then as a result, that may lead to endless regression.²³³ And moreover, different persons require different degrees of verification for validity of their knowledge. What satisfies one may not satisfy another. Thus there is no end. The problem at this stage stands unsolved in the hands of all the philosophers. But it is Madhva who has pointed out the principle of Sākṣin, which is termed as Svarūpendriya of the knowing self and which is capable to reveal itself and its contents. Both knowledge and its validity are grasped by the Sākṣin in the ultimate analysis. So far as invalid knowledge is concerned, the Sākṣin cognizes the cognitive aspect of invalid cognition that is the bare content of cognition.²³⁴ And its invalidity is ascertained by the Sākṣin indirectly through Viśaṁvāda and other tests.²³⁵

In the case of erroneous experience such as mistaking a rope for a serpent or Sukti for Rajata, the Sākṣin is obstructed and it does not grasp the validity. It is the Manas that hastens to grasp the experience as valid and also initiates the action.²³⁶ And when the error is realized later, that validity of experience is given up. And where there is no obstruction by any Dosa, the Sākṣin obtains valid experience and also the validity of the knowledge without waiting for the need of any verification.²³⁷ The insistence of verification in all cases, is unnecessary and impracticable. Because in that case, as already mentioned, there would arise the defect of Anavasthā - a chain of never ending experiences.²³⁸ E.g. if the experience of water is to be verified by the experience of quenching the thirst, then the latter will also need further verification by another experience to prove that as not false. And then that experience may also require another experience to prove it real. Thus, there could be no end in this direction.²³⁹ So, to avoid this never ending verifications, one has to accept the self-validity of the experience which is the very nature of the Sākṣin. And this is capable of having knowledge and ascertaining its validity by itself. C.D.Sharma writes "The fallacy of infinite regress cannot be avoided since the knowledge of the external condition which is said to validate any knowledge, being itself knowledge, would require another external condition to validate it.

Hence, all knowledge must be regarded as self-valid."²⁴⁰ There may be instances, where the error arises. But they are exceptions and not a rule.

In fact the Nyāya-Vaiśeṣikas do not insist on any verification in the case of the inferential knowledge on the basis of Vyāpti (invariable concomitance). They opine that when Vyāpti and other ingredients of an inference are faultless, there is no need for further verification. Vādirāja, defends and argues that if that would be the case, then why the Sākṣin should not be given such a privilege when there are no Doṣas in the gained experience.²⁴¹ And moreover, the inference is also not an independent Pramāṇa as it needs the data of either Pratyakṣa or of verbal testimony. So the Sākṣin should be admitted without any hesitation. The Sākṣin is the name of the spiritual sense-organ of the self through which it intuits its experiences.²⁴² But this instrument of intuition is not something different from the self (Pramātā). And this Sākṣin is competent to know its own flawless nature and the validity of the tests applied without restoring to further tests. The Sākṣi-Pratyakṣa is self-luminous, self-explicable, self-certifying and uncontradictable.²⁴³ Thus, the Sākṣin is capable of ascertaining the validity of the knowledge obtained by it. The verification is needed only to remove obstructions that cause erroneous experience.

When once these obstructions are removed, the validity of even those experiences will be ascertained by the Sākṣin itself.²⁴⁴

Thus, it is evident that the validity of knowledge arises from the same conditions that give rise to that knowledge, and the validity of knowledge is ascertained from the same factors through which knowledge arises or as soon as knowledge arises. That means, ascertainment of validity of knowledge does not wait for further verification. And so far as the invalidity of knowledge is concerned, it is governed by external conditions.^{224A}

The theory of self-validity of knowledge, in the hands of Mīmāṃsakas and others does not conform itself to be purely subjective though they define and claim to be so, as they have not accepted the concept like Sākṣin, which is inner-intuitive organ. Their advocating this theory is only to overcome objective difficulties. (Anavastha- endless regression etc.).^{244B}

The credit goes to Madhva as he, admitting the Sākṣin, which is none other than the inner sentience; has justified the theory as purely subjective and self-authentic. And, hence, criterion of truth need not be conformed and determined by

the criterion of falsity as a model, as misunderstood by some scholars who have not realized the significance of Sākṣin.^{244C}

By the by, Vādirāja refutes the doctrine of the Nyāya-Vaiśeṣikas, that the Pratibandhakābhāva^{244D} or absence of obstructions is also a cause of effect. It means the Doṣābhāva is also the cause of Pramā. But this view is not tenable and acceptable. Because, an obstruction or Pratibandhaka may prevent the result of the effect.²⁴⁵ And that does not mean that its absence is the cause of effect. Causes are distinct and different. Effect will not take place when these causes are prevented by an obstructing factor for their emergence. When that obstruction is removed, the same causes lead to the effect. Thus, the absence of the obstructing factor cannot be a cause,²⁴⁶ it may only be a preventive factor that disables the causes to be effective. So the Doṣābhāva cannot be the cause of Pramā.²⁴⁷

CONSIDERATION OF THE CLASSIFICATION OF ŚRUTI PASSAGES AS TATTVĀVEDAKA AND ATATTVĀVEDAKA

After discussing the problem of self-validity, Vādirāja refutes the contention of the Advaitins that the Śruti passages are both Tattvāvedaka and Atattvāvedaka. The Tattvāvedaka means those passages conveying Truth and the Atattvāvedaka passages are those that give some tentative knowledge, being not true ultimately.²⁴⁸

This view of the Advaitins is not tenable since it cuts at the very root of the validity of the Śruti passages admitted by all. The very classification as Tattvāvedaka and Atattvāvedaka is invalid and as such unacceptable.²⁴⁹ The Vedas are valid by themselves. The validity of the Vedas is established since they are free from human defects or faults. So they are self-valid. Hence treating some passages as Atattvāvedaka is most objectionable.²⁵⁰

By the by Vādirāja criticises the Mīmāṃsaka view of Kāryatāvāda.²⁵¹ S. Dasagupta writes: "This doctrine holds that each word yields its meaning only as being generally related other factors or only as a part of an injunctive sentence."²⁵² According to the Mīmāṃsakas, the Śruti passages become valid only when they become causes and produce effects. To explain, one desirous of heaven, after performing the sacrifice of Jyotiṣṭoma attains heaven. The Śruti passage viz., Jyotiṣṭomena Svargakāmo Yajeta becomes valid as there is Vedic injunction in it. The verb Yajeta is Vedic injunction that points to perform their duties and thus leads to successful activity. Hence, the statement is valid.²⁵³ This is called Kāryatāvāda. They say that the Śruti passages do not convey the sense of accomplished objects (entities) such as the Lord. Therefore, the existence of the Lord is not admitted by the Mīmāṃsakas.

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The Kāryatāvāda of the Mīmāṃsakas involves the factor that the desired objects (Iṣṭaphala) must be an already established entity (Siddhārtha). The statements, that are related to the desired objects, means thereof, and also to the factors of injunction; are authoritative. The heaven, for attaining which they perform the Jyotiṣṭoma sacrifice, should be a Siddhārtha - an already accomplished or established entity desired by the sacrificer. The Śruti passages that convey the sense of such an entity and means thereof, become valid according to the Mīmāṃsakas. Consequently, the Lord, who is also an established entity (Siddhārtha) and who is glorified by all the Śruti passages as limitless in their primary and ultimate implications should also be admitted. Thus, by Mīmāṃsakas theory of the Kāryatāvāda also, existence of the Lord is established and all the Śruti passages are self-valid. The validity of the Vedas is thus proved by their theory of the Kāryatāvāda. So Siddhārthabodhakatva does not come in the way of the eternity and validity of the Vedas.²⁵⁴ Otherwise Asti Āyuh (Life-span is there) and such other statements may become invalid or meaningless since they also convey the sense of an established aspect viz., life-span. Therefore, the view upheld by Madhva, is defectless and right. According to him, all the Vedas are Tattvāvedaka and as such they convey the valid knowledge of the Truth. Treating some Śruti passages as Atattvāvedaka is, therefore, wrong.²⁵⁵

There may be some passages that appear to contradict the import of other passages. This apparent contradiction should be removed by changing the word-meaning with the help of implications of purport. Thus we cannot disregard those passages just because they apparently contradict others. Vadiraja contends that if two cows fight mutually, to stop the fight one should not kill either of them; on the other hand, one has to try his best to divert one cow by attracting it by grass and the like and thus stop the combat. To stop the combat, as killing a cow is unwanted, in the same way, to remove apparent contradiction, some Śruti passages need not be considered as Atattvāvedaka and be rejected. The apparent contradiction among the Śruti passages should be removed by just altering the word-meaning with implication.²⁵⁶ Thus all the Śruti passages convey the knowledge of Truth. And there are no Śruti passages as Atattvāvedaka as believed by the Advaitins.

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AIKYAŚRUTIS ARE SĀVAKĀŚA

There are some Śruti passages called Aikyaśrutis by the Advaitins. That means, those passages that convey the sense of identity expressively such as Tattvamasi, Ātmaivedam, Ekamevādvitīyam and others. The Advaitins contend that these Aikyaśrutis convey the sense of identity between the Lord and Jīvātman or embodied soul. But the Aikya mentioned in these

passages does not convey the sense of identity asserts Vādirāja. The term Aikya in the Aikyaśrutis should be understood in different senses such as (1) Similarity, (2) Unity of place, (3) Unity of thought, (4) Unity of scope, (5) Uniqueness of qualities and (6) Uniqueness of independence. The Śruti passages do not give up the intrinsic or inherent sense of their own.²⁵⁹ The Aikya is Sāvakaśa and hence does not give up the sense of the Advaitic identity. The Sāvakaśatva means restrained with some limitations. Here also the term Aikya is restrained with some limitations. Because everywhere and at all the times, it does not give the sense of identity. Hence, it is Sāvakaśa. The six types of meanings, stated above, should be taken into consideration as per the context.

If the sense of Aikya is pre-eminent, foremost and ultimate, then it would become Niravakaśa or unrestrained with limitations. But everywhere and at all times the Aikya (identity) is not the ultimate sense. It gets sublated on some contexts. Hence, the Aikyaśrutis are not Niravakaśa. Moreover, the meaning of the Aikya mentioned above in six types does not prove the identity by any means. The unity of space means coming together at one place, as Kauravas gathered at one place. In the same way, the term Aikya or unity, never gives the sense of identity.²⁶⁰

The term Aikya, according to the Amarakoṣa, denotes (1) Pradhānatva or pre-eminence, Kevalatva or alone (the state of standing by itself), (3) Anyatva or separateness and (4) First act.²⁶¹ So it refers to the Lord who is Pre-eminent. The character of Pre-eminence thus proves the Omniscience of the Lord and also difference from the Jīva and Jada which are not pre-eminent and omniscient. Thus the term Aikya in the Śruti passages conveys the sense of Pre-eminence of the Lord and His difference from all else.²⁶²

In the Advaita, as Brahman is not an object of knowledge, as it is not the primary import of any Śāstra (Veda), the very classification of Śruti passages as Tattvavedaka and Atattvavedaka becomes most untenable. In the same way, considering some passage as Niravakāśa and others Sāvakāśa is also not befitting as entire Śāstra is the product of Ajnāna.^{262A}

PRĀKRTAGUNANIRĀŚANA

As Aikya in the Śruti passages should mean pre-eminence etc., in the same way the term Nirguṇa also means that the Lord is free from inauspicious qualities. The term Guṇa means quality of any kind, auspicious and inauspicious. Here, Nirguṇa²⁶³ does not convey total absence of all qualities. But it conveys the absence of ordinary or common or inauspicious qualities. Material qualities are Sattva, Rajas and Tamas.²⁶⁴

All these qualities bind the soul and become the cause of his Samsāra and the qualities such as delusion, jealousy and the like cause grief. The Lord is free from all these inauspicious and common qualities. So Nirguna means absence of such material and inauspicious qualities, and does not mean total absence of qualities. Thus, the Nirguna Śruti^{264A} should be interpreted properly. So it should be understood as absence of inauspicious qualities.²⁶⁵

There are some passages such as Eṣaḥ Sarveśvaraḥ²⁶⁶ which declare primarily the ultimate supremacy of the Lord. Here, since the meaning is not restrained, this is Niravakāśa statement. Thus, the unrestrained passages never give up the primary sense.²⁶⁷

When the sense of the term is restrained, it should be understood in a different fashion and sense. This change or alteration, on implication, is introduced elsewhere also. For example, the statement Na hiṁsyāt²⁶⁸ has its scope restrained outside the sacrifices. The statement is not valid everywhere.

Here Nirguna etc., are Sāvakaśāśas and Eṣaḥ Sarveśaḥ etc., are Niravakāśas. Sāvakaśāśa passages are to be understood in favour of Niravakāśa statements.

Vadiraja in defence of this quotes the statement of God Śiva given in the Padmapurāṇa. The Lord Śiva critically examines and explains the term Nirguna as devoid of all unworthy and ordinary qualities. So this is the true and real meaning of Nirguna passages.²⁶⁹

Vādirāja might be asked as to why Abhedaśrutis alone are Sāvakaśā and Bhedaśrutis are Niravakāśa. The reply is that the reason is obvious. Passages like Dvā suparṇā convey the sense of two different objects. So when the primary meaning as well as the meaning by implication denote two objects of different nature clearly, there is no scope to get the meaning changed. So in such statements, simultaneously, mind gets acquainted with two different entities of two different intrinsic natures. There is no need to imply any other sense. Thus, the unrestrained (Niravakāśa) statements are ever valid and their sense is not contradicted. They always convey the reliable and proper sense.

So all these Śruti passages glorify the ultimate supremacy of the Lord and declare the difference between the Lord and the Jīva.²⁷⁰ The word Nirguna refers to the Lord, who is also called Nārāyaṇa. So this Nārāyaṇa is the Supreme Brahman and Eternal as He was there even before the creation. Like a pot, He is not created and not affected by any material

and ordinary qualities that throw one into the cycle of birth and death. On the other hand, He is endowed with unlimited auspicious qualities such as bliss, knowledge and the like. The derivative explanation of the word Brahman is an embodiment of unlimited auspicious qualities. And the word Nārāyaṇa also signifies the same sense when explained etymologically. Arah means demerits, Nārah means auspicious qualities (merits), Ayanam means chief or primary source and substratum. Thus Nārāyaṇa, who is Nirguṇa, is Brahman²⁷¹ an embodiment of numberless auspicious qualities and devoid of any material qualities. He is the primary object of glorification of all the Vedas as described in the Brahma-sūtras.²⁷²

After explaining the meaning of the Nirguṇa-śrutis, to substantiate his explanation, Vādirāja quotes the passages from the Nārāyaṇopaniṣad, the Aitareya Brāhmaṇa and others and explains their import. He also points out that passages like Neha nānāsti declare that there is no difference between the Lord and His qualities. Vādirāja also points out that there is no such restriction as a rule to split the śruti passage: Kevalo Nirguṇasca as Advaitins contend, but it can also be split as Kevalo anirguṇasca. Then, it explicitly states that the Lord alone is Supreme and an embodiment of auspicious qualities.

A CRITICAL APPRECIATION OF THE NĀRĀYANOPANIṢAD : SUPREMACY
OF LORD VIṢṆU

Vādirāja, in this chapter, quotes the Nārāyanopaniṣad and critically examining it, justifies that Nārāyaṇa is the Lord Brahman. He alone can be called Lord Brahman and none else.

All the attributes of Brahman are referred to Lord Nārāyaṇa, glorified in the Puruṣasūkta^{272A} and in well known other Śruti passages. Hence Ultimate Truth or prime gist of all the statements is that Nārāyaṇa, indeed, is the Lord Brahman (an embodiment of everlasting auspicious qualities). At the commencement of the Śruti as Upakrama and at the end as Upasamhāra, Lord Nārāyaṇa is referred to and glorified as Brahman.²⁷³

So in the opinion of learned Vedic scholars, who pursue an impartial inquiry about the Ultimate Truth (primary sense) of the Śruti passages, Lord Nārāyaṇa is the Supreme God and He is the Brahman being endowed with unlimited auspicious qualities.²⁷⁴

The word Nirguṇa can be read as Anirguṇa, since there is no prescription for dissolving the conjunction of the words of Upaniṣads.²⁷⁵ Then Anirguṇa wherein the two negative

prefixes, gives the positive sense. Thus Śruti can be read as Kevala and Anirguna, that means Lord alone is Supreme and is endowed with qualities. So the term Anirguna throws away the sense of Nirguna as absence of Guna. And these attributes or qualities of the Lord are not momentary but they are eternal and always real.²⁷⁶ Thus, all the words, in the Vedas describe the glorious majesty of the Lord (one or other auspicious attributes of the Lord). So the word negating the attributes of Brahman is totally unseen in the Veda.

REFUTATION OF THE CONCEPT JĀTI OR SĀMĀNYA OF TĀRKIKAS

S. Dasagupta writes "Sāmānya is the fourth category. It means the genus or aspect of generality or sameness that we notice in things. Thus, in spite of the difference of colour between one cow and another, both of them are found to have such a sameness that we call them cows. In spite of all diversity in all objects around us, they are all perceived as Sat or existing. The Sat or existence is thus a sameness, which is found to exist in all the three things, Dravya, Guna and Karma. The sameness is called Sāmānya or Jāti, and it is regarded as a separate thing which rests on Dravya, Guna and Karma."²⁷⁷

The Jāti²⁷⁸ according to the Tārkikas, is the property

which is peculiar to a class and distinguishes it from all others. It is an essential characteristic of species as Gotva of cows, Aśvatva of horses and the like.²⁷⁹ It is a common and equally applicable property of the entities. And it is being referred to by similar terms. According to them Jāti is that which helps to recognise the entities as similar.²⁸⁰

In connection with the exact meaning of the Jāti, Vādirāja poses following questions: Is it a single means of dealing? Or is it endowed with one property? Or is it of single formed and is it an object of expression with synonymous words?²⁸¹ He opines that the first option is not acceptable to both since, it is well experienced fact that even the entities of similar type are dealt with and referred to separately as "It is a pot, this is a pot, that is a pot" and the like. So, on the basis of dealings, the Jāti cannot be proved. And the second view is not sound since the expressive dealing in terms will not lead to any identity. As it does not prove the identity, even the third view stands baseless. Because the different and variegated dealings ascertain the fact that there are different and variegated properties. Thus, this discards the claim that the common property of similar kind and of the same magnitude must be there in all the entities of that class. So oneness of common property as Jāti cannot be entertained. The difference is distinct

in all respects; e.g. the offering of Bali for devils and others differs from one to another of the same class. Since it depends upon the individual capability, it is not governed by a common property of any kind.²⁸²

If it is argued that the Jāti of one class is single and the parts of it are manifested individually in each entity of that class, then it appears that the each entity is the part of that and this proves the absence of an entity of complete Jāti. Then all the pots become only potsherds (Ghaṭa-aṁśas) and there cannot be a complete pot.²⁸³

This also causes impropriety so far as the usage and dealing are concerned.

So the view that the Jāti is one in the entities of the same class, is not tenable. The Ghaṭatva of one Ghaṭa is peculiar and is related with that Ghaṭa only. Hence, Jātis are to be admitted as innumerable even in one single class of entities. Each entity is governed by its own Jāti. And if it is referred to with one word for the sake of usage and dealing, there is nothing wrong. Because, this does not prove the common property of the entities of one class. The usage with single word is for the convenience of easy dealing and it does not help to prove any Jāti. The property, (Dharma) though appears as if present in all the entities

of that same class, is distinct on account of the difference in entities as shown above.

It may also be held that the similar objects, subject to the similar and common usages and dealings, would be the Vyanjakas and that common and innate property, lying there and which is suggested by the objects, is Vyangya and that is termed Jāti. In the expressions, 'This is Ghata (pot)', 'That is Ghata;' Ghatas (pots) are similar and they are Vyanjakas and these Vyanjakas denote the common and innate property - Ghatatva which is Vyangya.

But, Vādirāja says that this view is not correct. He advocates counter argument questioning that if on account of similar, common dealings and usages, a common innate property (Jāti) is traced and admitted then, what is unsound if distinct and manifold properties are traced and admitted for similar and common dealings.²⁸⁴ Moreover, according to the Tārkikas, expressions are not Nitya and they differ from time to time and place to place even with respect to similar objects. And hence these distinct expressions cannot prove a single common innate property related to all entities of that class.

According to the Tārkikas, even the entities of same

class are different each other. And these entities cannot be held as causes for the apprehension of single, common innate property. Because, as entities (here, marked with the fact of being cause), that are held causes, are manifold and distinct each other; the differentiating characteristic attribute (Kāranatāvacchedakadharmā) is also manifold and distinct. If Ghaṭas, as Kāraṇa, are manifold and distinct, then the fact of their being causes, Kāranatā is also manifold. When Kāranatā is manifold, it is evident that the differentiating characteristic attribute (innate property-Kāranatāvacchedakadharmā - Ghaṭatva) is also manifold and distinct.²⁸⁵

Further, if the Jāti is taken to be one, then what happens to that Jāti, when an entity of that class gets affected. When a Ghaṭa is broken, then what happens to that Ghaṭatva? Either the part, manifested, or the complete Jāti, should get affected. But it never happens. Thus, the acceptance of the Jāti in this sense, leads to such manifold absurdities.

ABSENCE OF DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE LORD AND HIS ATTRIBUTES

There is no difference between the attributed (Dharmin) and eternal attributes (Dharmas). Brahman is Dharmin and His attributes are Dharmas. The attributes of Brahman are eternal

and real. So there is no difference between Brahman and His attributes.²⁸⁶

It may be mentioned that in the Advaita there is difference between the Lord and His attributes.²⁸⁷ The Advaitin may be questioned as to what is the reason or ground for him to behold difference between the Lord and His attributes, since he is the rigid and close follower of unreality of difference everywhere. It is wonder to know that he denies difference everywhere but claims difference between the Lord and His attributes. Thus it looks partial and contradictory in the case of the Advaitins. So all the attributes of Brahman are Brahman-natured (attributed-natured).²⁸⁸ Even 'difference-cum-identity' (Bhedābheda).²⁸⁹ cannot be referred to Brahman and His attributes, since neither the few attributes (Dharmas) are destroyed nor the attributed Lord Himself. So the Bhedābheda view is also not tenable. Thus neither Bheda nor Bhedābheda is found reasonable in case of the Lord and His attributes.

GUNAMITHYĀTVA^{289A} IS NOT POSSIBLE EVEN WITH AIKYA ŚRUTIS

Advaita holds that Brahman is qualityless. The reference of qualities in the Upaniṣads is not absolutely real. It is not tentative. The Advaitins, in this regard, claim the authority of Aikyāśrutis.

Even the Aikyaśrūtis like Tattvamasi as such cannot prove the unreality of the attributes of the Lord. Because, identity is established if all the qualities are given up. And the attributes are given up when the identity is established. Thus, there would result the defect of mutual dependence.²⁹⁰ It means when the identity is proved then the absence of attributes is proved. When the absence of attributes is proved then the identity is proved. The eternal and intrinsic attributes cannot be given up on account of the supposed identity-texts. Because, the statement Tattvamasi is Sāvakāśa and can be understood as not complete identity but as similarity. On the basis of Caitanya lying in the Jīva and Paramātmān similarity can be traced and not identity in essence. (Svarūpāikya). Whereas there are passages (Niravakāśa śrūtis) such as Satyam Jñānāmanantaṁ Brahma which cannot be interpreted and understood in different way.²⁹¹ If the Aikyaśrūtis are understood as is done by the Advaitins (if the expressive meaning is taken as invalid) then one has to give up the very concept of Brahman.²⁹² Because, in respect of attributes, if Sattā is Vyāvahārika,²⁹³ and Nityatva means remaining for a longer period, then let it be so even in the case of the very existence of Brahman which is not acceptable even to the Advaitins. Nowhere in the śrūtis the attributes of the Lord are described as Vyāvahārika but they are stated to be eternal, intrinsic

and real. If the attributes are sublated, then Vyāvahārikatva may be attributed to them. If they are not sublated, they are eternally real. When stand sublated, then the statements, denoting the auspicious attributes, would become invalid. So with a view to safeguard the validity of the statements such as Kevalo nirgunasca and the like they are to be interpreted as absence of material attributes. In case of the passages like Tattvamasi etc., identity is to be understood as similarity with regard to Caitanya element.²⁹⁴

REALITY AND ETERNITY OF ATTRIBUTES OF THE LORD

The attributes of the Lord are never affected and never get changed. When the nature of Brahman does not get affected, how can the attributes get affected? - asks Vādirāja. So the attributes are real and eternal. And the Śruti also substantiates the view that knowledge, strength and action of the Lord are natural to Him for ever.²⁹⁵

The attributes of the Lord are neither of the nature of destruction nor of the nature of change as is the case in Pīlupāka and Piṭharapāka of the Vaiśeṣikas.²⁹⁶ In the Pīlupāka atoms get changed. It means when wet pot is heated then all its atoms are destroyed and they produce a new pot. So in the Pīlupāka, Dharmin or the object gets completely affected. In the Piṭharapāka, the object does not get

destroyed or changed, but only its attributes like colour, form and the like get changed. The object remains the same; so in one case, the object is changed and in another attributes are changed.²⁹⁷

The attributes of Brahman are not of the nature of getting in either of the manners said above. The Lord does not undergo any type of Pāka i.e., He does not get affected by the fire. So the Form, Beauty, Valour, Adventure, Supreme independence and Omnipotence and other attributes of the Lord, are all real and eternally present in Him.²⁹⁸ And these characteristics of the Lord are not conditional and are not procured by others' favour. So when the Lord is not subjected to destruction, the intrinsic attributes are also not subjected to destruction. The attributes of the Lord such as knowledge and the like, are not created like the knowledge of an ordinary being. They are uncreated and Aprākṛta. When the object is present, absence of its intrinsic attributes, is nowhere found.²⁹⁹ The attributes of the Lord are Śrutisiddha and are not sublated. Everywhere in general, it is known that, existence of the attributes is regulated by the existence of the object. E.g., as long as there exists the pot (object) so long potness (Ghaṭatva-attribute) also exists. So undoubtedly, all the attributes of Brahman are eternally real.³⁰⁰ The natural attributes may

come to an end only when the concerned created entity perishes.³⁰¹ As Brahman is eternally Undestroyable, Imperishable, His attributes will never come to an end or never be destroyed. The attributes of the Lord are described in the Śrutis and the Smṛtis as natural, real and eternal and hence are not the nature of Māyā³⁰² as understood by the Advaitins.³⁰³

The Vidyā and the Avidyā are mutually opposite and produce different effects. By the Avidyā³⁰⁴ one cannot gain the Vidyā, strength, lusture etc. Because all these are not the products of the Māyā. In the same way, like Brahman, His attributes are also not the products of and not related to the Māyā. Corroborating with this, one can state logically that all the Dharmas of Brahman are Amāyika because they are real, natural and eternal like Brahman.³⁰⁵ The Māyā cannot be said to be an Upādhi (extraneous limiting factor) to Brahman. Because, the Māyā is Jada and it cannot have the Lord's qualities like Vyāpyatva, Nityaśuddhatva, Muktatva etc. So the Māyā cannot superimpose all these on Brahman. Therefore, the attributes of Brahman cannot be considered as Māyika or products of Māyā.³⁰⁶ Moreover, as this Māyā of the Advaita cannot trace and exert its influence on the Jīva directly, how can then it superimpose the extra-ordinary features such as Omniscience, Omnipresence on Brahman who is the Lord and is Omnipotent. In the Bhāgavata, fifth canto,³⁰⁷ it is clearly

stated that the knowledge of Brahman never gets related with Māyā. So as Brahman is Real, Natural and Eternal likewise His attributes are also real, natural and eternal. The absence of them (non-existence) cannot be thought of.³⁰⁸

So far it is proved that Māyā as Upādhi or limiting adjunct cannot be related with the Lord and His attributes. Further it is said that in Bimba and Pratibimba, Bimba or reflection is Upādhi or Pratibimba or reflected. The qualities of the Bimba are seen in the Pratibimba. As the redness of the flower is seen in the nearby crystal. Here, the flower is Upādhi or Bimba and crystal is Pratibimba. Hence, the quality of redness is seen in the Pratibimba crystal. But the relation of Bimba and Pratibimba cannot be referred to Māyā since the Lord is Amāvika. The Māyā cannot be an Upādhi in case of Brahman as is the flower in case of crystal but, it is only an apparent cause or a pretext, a secondary cause.

Now Brahman is the Bimba and the Jīva is the Pratibimba. Brahman is Upādhi and hence on account of that, the attributes such as knowledge and the like of Brahman are seen in the Pratibimba Jīva. To all these attributes, the Lord Brahman, who is Bimba and of the Upādhi state, is the primary cause. So all the attributes, seen the Jīva, are under the control of the Upādhi, i.e. Brahman, whereas the attributes of Brahman

are natural. We cannot ascribe the Upādhikatva to the attributes of the Lord since they are like red colour of a flower. So the qualities of Brahman are seen in the Jīva as reflections.³⁰⁹ Therefore, the attributes of Brahman are all natural and eternal. This proves that the attributes of Pratibimba that are knowledge and bliss (Jīvasvarūpa) are natural. Brahman is Bimba to all starting from Goddess Lakṣmī to minute beings such as ants and others. Hence, Brahman is real, eternal and is never Nirguṇa³¹⁰ as the Advaitins contend. The relation of Bimba-Pratibimbabhāva between the Lord and the Jīva, is not taken in respect of nature and content but with regard to the control and regulation of the Lord over the Jīva in all respects. The Śruti referred to above, describes the natural qualities of Brahman as Jñāna, Bala, Kriyā and the like. Vādirāja says that Lord Viṣṇu, Saguṇa Brahman is none other than the Śuddha Brahman. We cannot classify Brahman as Śuddha and Śābala. Śruti does not permit for this Classification. So one has to give up the very concept of Nirguṇatva (attributelessness) and should accept Guṇapūrṇatva (perfection).

Now even if Māyā is taken for granted as Upādhi, Vādirāja says that Māyikatva cannot be attributed to the qualities of Brahman. In general, a Māyin (magician) creates wonderful things out of Māyā. But the very next moment, everything

stands disappeared from our sight. So the created wonderful things may be treated as non-permanent (non-natural) and Māyā-generated. But the existence of the magician, his power, efforts, desire and the like do not disappear and hence they are permanent (natural) and real. In the same way, Brahman, His Knowledge, Desire, Action and the like are real and natural. But the world, created by Him though real unlike the created things of a magician, may change now and then.³¹¹ Thus, the Knowledge, Richness etc. of the Lord are natural and they are ever imperishable also, since Brahman is Imperishable. As the attributes of Brahman such as Omniscience and Omnipresence are eternal and natural it cannot be imagined that they would disappear, since the Lord never disappears. Thus, the attributes of the Lord do not get sublated by any means whereas the concept of identity of Brahman and the Jīva stands sublated. Because, so as to have the identity of that kind, according to the Advaita, Brahman should be proved as attributeless (Nirdharmika), which is impossible. Therefore, identity cannot be proved. Hence Brahman cannot be described as Nirguna or attributeless. There are innumerable Śruti passages that extol the majestic glory of Lord Brahman.³¹² The glory of the Lord is real. He is the sole supporter of the whole universe. He is the supreme Brahman. And there is no Brahman as Nirguna.³¹³ The Nirguna Brahman fabricated by the Advaitins

is of no use. Because, It cannot bestow the liberation. And moreover, Vādirāja says that, both the Śrutis and the Smṛtis do not claim the Mokṣadātṛtva to the Nirguṇa Brahman. It is only Lord Viṣṇu, who bestows liberation (Mokṣa). Thus, in all respects the Nirguṇa Brahman should be rejected. Even if two Brahmanas are imagined and accepted, identity cannot be proved. And this imagination is contrary to the Śruti passage Ekamevādvitīyam.³¹⁴ So Brahman is alone and He is all-pervasive and is called Viṣṇu.³¹⁵ Due to the reasons cited above, it is highly impossible to ascribe the Nirguṇatva to Brahman. If, with strong attachment or persistence, Nirguṇa Brahman is accepted then there will be two Brahmanas which would go against the Advaita.³¹⁶ Thus, the acceptance of Nirguṇa Brahman, serves no purpose. It cannot be proved by any valid evidence. Further, it leads to rejection of the concept of Advaita. So there is no supreme Brahman other than Viṣṇu-declares Vādirāja.³¹⁷

LORD VIṢṆU IS THE SUPREME BRAHMAN

Vādirāja promises that Lord Viṣṇu is Supreme. To substantiate this he quotes the statements of the Mahābhārata and the Bhāgavata.

The statements ascribe Parabrahmatva to Nārāyaṇa and at the same time negate the existence of another Brahman.³¹⁸

All the statements of the Mahābhārata, clearly glorify the supremacy of Lord Viṣṇu. With reference to the conventional marks of the purport of proposition (Tātparyaliṅgas) such as Upakrama, Upasamhāra, in these verses, the supremacy of the Lord is referred to and is praised at the beginning, in the middle and at the end. So the aim of the statements of the Mahābhārata is to establish the supremacy of Lord Viṣṇu.³¹⁹

In the Bhāgavata also it is declared that Lord Viṣṇu is the sole creator, sustainer and destroyer of this universe. It is the Brahmā, appointed by Lord Viṣṇu who creates this world. That means the Lord, gracing his Brahmā-form in Brahmā, creates this world. And in God Śiva, retaining His Śiva-form destroys the world. Thus, Lord Viṣṇu alone possesses all the three powers of creation, protection and destruction. Under His control, both Brahmā and Rudra fulfil their functions.³²⁰

The attributes of the Lord are innumerable and each one of them is complete in itself, the scope of each is limitless. Even the forms or incarnations of the Lord are also limitless. They cannot be counted. Thus the concept Nirguṇa-Brahman has no place at all and it is excommunicated in respect of all spaces and times.³²¹

REFUTATION OF NIRGUNA³²² BRAHMAN BY INFERENCE

So far it has been shown that the attributelessness (Nirgunatva) is not the import of Śruti and other works. Vādī-rāja contends that even inference is also not competent to prove attributelessness. Because if it is accepted that there is a Brahman who is devoid of all characteristics, then an aspirant who realises It, would have to become devoid of characteristics. If, with the help of inference etc., Nirguna Brahman is accepted for the attainment of Mokṣa then, Brahman would be possessed of many Guṇas or attributes such as Māna-meyatā (the fact of being an object of Pramāṇa) and Jñāna-drśyatā (the fact of being an object of knowledge or realisation). And by this, there comes the Vācya (the fact of being an object of expression) and with this Padārthatā (the fact of being an object) is also attributed.³²³ So, this Vastutva wards off the Nirgunatva-view of the Advaitins and proves the Sagunatva-view which the very word Brahman conveys that It being an embodiment of innumerable auspicious qualities. So the phrase Nirguna Brahman is self-contradictory. The terms Nirguna and Brahman give entirely different and opposite senses.³²⁴

Now, the Vyāvahārikasatyatva³²⁵ cannot be attributed to Nirguna-Brahman, since it is worse than Pratibhāśikasatyatva which is there in the Śuktirajata. In Pratibhāśika level,

at the end (when the superimposed knowledge of Rajata vanishes) there remains Śukti, in time and space. But when the Vyāvahārikasatyatva of Brahman is sublated, there remains nothing. So the Vyāvahārikasatyatva of Nirguṇa Brahman is more harmful than the Prātibhāsikasatyatva. Because, in the Advaita by the knowledge of Brahman everything stands sublated (becomes unreal). So there is no use of the knowledge Brahman of Vyāvahārikasatya because it gets sublated (proved unreal) at realisation and it does not exist at all the times. So it is not proper to treat an unreal entity (Nirguṇa-Brahman) as Vyāvahārikasatya. If the Bādhyatva is there in the Bādha (unreality in sublation), then the Abādhyatva, reality is thus proved, (the attributes of Brahman become real). If the Abādhyatva is attributed to the Bādha, then also the very statement proves reality. Thus there would be two real entities that lead to the loss of Advaita once again. And if that Bādha is a Brahman-form then it becomes an attribute of Brahman. The Bādha is the knowledge of non-existence (Abhāva). And if this Abhāva is the form of Brahman, It becomes Jada and then It also, like Bhāva, becomes an object of knowledge. Jadatva, Vastutva and the like then, become the features of Brahman. Thus, by this also, no Nirguṇa-Brahman can be proved. And if it is held that these attributes are not there in Brahman then there could be no Abhāva also. Thus, there is no Abhāva of negation, which

means absence of Bādhya in attributes. Thus they become real. If Nirgunatva is to be known through the Pramāṇas, then Nirgunatva is given up. If it is not to be known through the Pramāṇas, then also it is given up.³²⁶

So, Hari, an embodiment of innumerable auspicious qualities, is the Lord (controller-regulator) of all and there is none, who is equal and superior to Him.

MADHVA'S APPROACH IS THE RIGHT APPROACH

That path alone is declared as right wherein Lord Hari is worshipped as Guṇapūrṇa. And that is not the right path wherein the Lord is not given the state of Supremacy and is not worshipped with supreme devotion. The statement of the Mahābhārata,^{326A} clearly states that, that path does not help us to attain the upliftment where Lord Nārāyaṇa is not declared as Guṇapūrṇa.³²⁷ So the doctrines that do not declare Nārāyaṇa as Guṇapūrṇa, the Purāṇas that do not proclaim the Guṇapūrṇata of Lord Nārāyaṇa and the Śruti passages that do not state Nārāyaṇa as Guṇapūrṇa are all lead to treated as unworthy and/a wrong path.³²⁸ So the approach of Madhva, based on such statements of the Mahābhārata and the like, and wherein the Lord is declared as entirely distinct from this world, as Supreme Being to be worshipped by all and as sole Controller and Regulator, is right.³²⁹

The Mahābhārata verse in this way gives a clear exposition of the doctrines of Madhva school of philosophy in a nut-shell.

NIRGUNATVA CANNOT BE ESTABLISHED ON THE EVIDENCES OF PURĀNAS
AND THE LIKE

There are eighteen Purāṇas³³⁰ which are classified and called Śaiva, Brāhma and Vaiṣṇava³³¹ (extolling respectively Śiva, Brāhmā and Viṣṇu). In none of these Purāṇas there is any reference to Nirguṇa-Brahman of the Advaitins. So just as their Nirguṇa-Brahman is placed out of the Śruti texts, he is also excluded from the Purāṇas. And it is but proper as both the Śrutis and the Purāṇas have the same purport.³³² Ultimately, all these Purāṇas do not refer to any attributeless Brahman besides describing Śiva, Brāhmā and Viṣṇu.

The purport of the Śrutis can be understood with the help of Itihāsa³³³ and Purāṇa. Accordingly, one has to try his best in understanding the Śruti passages with the help of one's study of the Itihāsa and the Purāṇa. So the understanding of the Śruti should be in accordance with the purport of the Sātvikapurāṇas and the Mahābhārata.³³⁴ In this way when the Śruti passages are understood evidently, Viṣṇu will be proved as the Lord Brahman. Vādirāja quotes profusely from the accepted texts to prove the Supremacy of Viṣṇu.

The Advaitins contend that the primary sense of the Śruti passages should be given up and then it is to be said that the Śruti aims at attributeless Brahman. The words Satyaṁ, Jñānaṁ and Ānandaṁ³³⁵ are the terms denoting the attributes of Brahman. So to avoid this, the Advaitins suggest to give up the primary sense of these terms. If this would be the case, then Vādirāja asks that according to the same principle why can't the sense of the term Nirguṇa (sense of attributelessness) be given up and be understood as devoid of materials attributes? If this is not accepted then neither Nirguṇatva nor identity could be proved.³³⁶

Vādirāja opines that the Advaitin's way of understanding the Śruti is like starving it to death. That is depriving the Śruti of its proper meaning. So Vādirāja pleads that the Śruti be protected by offering at least limited food (instead of giving up totally the primary purport on implication, it is to be understood in different way, that means not killing but protecting by offering the food). Therefore, instead of giving up completely the primary sense, it is better to have a limited or restricted sense. So, the restricted meaning of the term Nirguṇa, then, is absence of material qualities.³³⁷

BRAHMAN IS SAGUNA

So far Sagunatva of Brahman is established by means of scriptural authority and now Vādirāja shows that Sagunatva can be proved by means of reason also. Brahman is endowed with innumerable Bhāvadharmas, since He is eternally liberated. This statement proves the Sagunatva of Lord Viṣṇu and denies the Nirguṇa concept of the Advaita.³³⁸ Here Muktatva or state of liberation means the state of absence of Bandha or bondage (Samsāra). And this bondage is not there in Acetana or non-sentient. This is also not there in liberated souls.³³⁹ So this bondage is in sentient beings who are not liberated. As there are Bhāvadharmas in objects like pots, likewise, there are also Bhāvadharmas in Brahman. Even if the presence of the Abhāvadharmas in Brahman, is taken into account (the Advaitins claim the presence of the Abhāvadharmas^{339A} in Brahman and mode of cognition of these is as Brahman is not an object of Jñāna. Brahman is not Creator and so on), the absence of Samsāra, as one of the Abhāvadharmas, is to be accepted. If Muktatva is not accepted in Mukta Brahman then Baddhatva as in the Jīva, is to be accepted. Even then Bhāvadharmas cannot be negated in Brahman. Here there are two self-contradictions (Vyāhatis). One is, accepting Brahman as Mukta and then attributing Muktatvabhāva to Him and secondly accepting Baddhatva in Him. Because a liberated one can have neither Muktatvabhāva nor Baddhatva.³⁴⁰ In this

context it must be noted that Vādirāja is not of the view of agreeing Baddhatva to Brahman but states the said view only to refute the views of others. (The Advaitins claim Brahman as Māyābaddha).^{340A} According to Vādirāja Baddhatva of Brahman means not the Advaitins' Māyābaddhatva but Baddhatva means bound in the hearts of devotees.

Now both Baddhatva and Muktatva are not at all found in Nirguṇa Brahman. Therefore, He is to be Saguṇa. Here Muktatva means absence of Bandha. But this type of Muktatva is not there in Brahman, since He is Nityamukta. Muktatva, in the form of destruction of Bandha, may be seen in the liberated souls, who, for sometime, have been Baddha (in Samsāra) and then by the grace of the Lord, have attained the liberation. So, Brahman being Nityamukta, there is no question of Baddhatva and Muktatva. If this Muktatva is admitted in Brahman then once again, it is a self-contradiction.³⁴¹

Now Vādirāja proves Sagunatva with some other arguments. The Advaitins contend that Brahman is Nirguṇa, being an object of negative cognition.³⁴² It means He is Abhāvāśraya. Vādirāja says that even this Hetu, viz., Abhāvāśrayatva does not come in the way of proving Sagunatva of the Lord. Brahman is Saguṇa on account of being the Abhāvāśraya like a Kapāla

or potsherd. In the potsherd, which is Abhāvāśraya of jar, there may not be the characteristics of Ghaṭatva and others but there are other characteristics such as form, colour and the like. Thus, the Kapāla (an absence of jar) helps us to understand some other characteristics. In the same way Nirguṇa Brahman may be Abhāvāśraya or object of negative cognition but as a real entity, which is a Pratilyogin or counter-part of Abhāva, or negation becomes Saguna. Even if all the characteristics are negated, the characteristic namely Abhāvāśrayatva or the fact of being an object of negative cognition is there and it proves Brahman to be Saguna. So making use of Abhāvāśrayatva characteristic (Hetu) in proving Sagunatva is not a defect. Thus, this Hetu, Abhāvāśrayatva is not seen where there is no Sagunatva.³⁴³ Otherwise, doubt or question may arise as to the Abhāva of what? So wherever, this Abhāvāśrayatva is seen, there is an entity with some Gunas. So Sagunatva is inevitable. There may be Abhāvāśrayatva or not, but there is no harm to Sagunatva. Muktatva is a Bhāvadharma and thus Brahman is Bhāvadharmin.³⁴⁴ Here Bhāvadharma means an experience of eternal nature of eternal intrinsic bliss. The Bhavadharmas of Brahman, that are characteristics, are unlimited.

Now, if Vyāvahārika-satyatva³⁴⁵ or empirical reality is stated for Muktas and to their Muktatva, then also the statement

is self-contradictory in two ways. If Vyāvahārikatva is attributed to liberation, then it is as good as opposing the very Muktatva. Accepting Mukti and rejecting its Dharma viz., Muktatva, is one defect; secondly let one be Mukta but not have Muktatva. It is as good as saying that Brahman is eternal but there is not eternity in Him. So Vyāvahārika-satyatva cannot be attributed to the Lord to prove Him as Nirguṇa, because He is eternally liberated and hence the question of Vyāvahārikatva does not arise.³⁴⁶ So rejecting Muktatva in the Mukta, is as good as saying, let there be a Vipra having no Vipratva, "Let one be rich without possessing any money."³⁴⁷

Vādirāja asserts that the text Kevalo nirguṇasca should be understood as Brahman is Nirguṇa or devoid of material qualities. The Śruti also declares that Brahman is Blissful as He possesses eternal and unlimited bliss. The Śruti does not discard the blissful nature of Brahman. Because of His Blissful nature, He is called Blissful. When the sense of the term Sukharūpa is evident and not incompatible, there is no reason to give it up and to understand a different sense. Because, Lakṣaṇā functions only when there is a primary sense and the same becomes incompatible.^{347A} When the Śruti passages convey compatible sense, there is no need to give up the primary (expressive) sense and understand some other sense

by implication. The Śruti states Brahman as Sukharūpa, since His very nature is really and absolutely Sukhamaya.³⁴⁸ If Brahman were not to be a Sukharūpi then the Śruti would not have praised Him, like that. In the same way, if Mukti is not understood as Sukharūpa, then it becomes the Mukti of logicians.³⁴⁹ Sukhasvarūpa and Sukharūpatva go together always. If Bhāvarūpadharmas are denied in the Muktas, then Sukharūpatvadharmas will also cease to be there. Then the Hetu Muktatva would become removed and absent and this would lead to the absence of Muktasvarūpa in Brahman. So the state of Mukti³⁵⁰ intended by the Advaitins, cannot be found on account of the absence of the Hetu-Muktatva. And if Brahman is stated as Nirguṇa (attributeless) then, that Nirguṇa-Brahman will not become the topic of the Śruti.³⁵¹

In the Śrutis, both in the beginning and at the end Brahman is glorified as an embodiment of unlimited auspicious qualities; so how can the term Nirguṇa, coming in the middle, establish the attributelessness of Brahman? Therefore, it should mean that the term Nirguṇa denies the possibility of the Prākṛta-guṇas (Sattva, Rajas and Tamas).³⁵²

APPARENT MEANING OF NIRGUṆA ŚRUTI IS NOT CORRECT

The Nirguṇatva indicates the absence of Prākṛta-guṇas. If one more negative particle is added as Nairguṇyam na, then

it gives the sense of affirmation. It affirms that the Lord is Saguna (He is not Nirguna).³⁵³

According to the Advaita, it cannot be said that Nirguna-śruti negates the Bhāvadharma. Because the Śruti: Neha nānāsti kincana^{353A} denies all the Bhāvadharma in Brahman according to the Advaita. If this is so then Nirgunatva-dharma is also to be denied on the same ground. If Nirgunatva-dharma alone is regarded or accepted then 'Neha nānā...' Śruti becomes invalid. Therefore, it is better to accept the meaning of the Nirgunaśruti as absence of three Prākṛta-guṇas, or material qualities, by which validity of all the Śruti-passages remains unharmed.³⁵⁴

Now, if it is stated that the Lord is Nirguna, then on account of Nirgunatva-rūpadharma and Vācyatvarūpadharma (guṇa), He becomes Saguna. If He is known by Lakṣyārtha, then on account of Lakṣyatvarūpadharma, He becomes Saguna. If both these Vācyatva and Lakṣyatva are given up, then He becomes Abodhya and this Abodhyatva-dharma is attributed to by which He becomes Saguna.³⁵⁵

If Nirgunatva is Mithyā, then Sagunatva is thus proved easily. The Nirgunaśruti cannot affect or cause any sublation to Saguna-śruti, because Nirgunaśruti is Mithyā. If Bhāva-

rūpadharmas are alone negated or denied, then Abhāvadharmas could be traced and mentioned as real without any difficulty. So the Anyonyābhāva, one of the Abhāvadharmas, becomes real and it proves and establishes the absolute difference (Bheda) between the Lord and the Jīva and the Jada. Here Anyonyābhāva may be known in respect of Sarvajñatva of the Lord and Alpañatva of the Jīva. The two are distinct to each other. This difference is not the Prthaktva of the logicians^{355A} which disregards any relation. Vādirāja states that though the Lord and the Jīva are absolutely different, they have the relation of Bimbapratibimbabhāva. Pratibimba cannot have the existence without Bimba. So Prthaktva of the logicians is not the Bheda of Tattvavāda.³⁵⁶

So, Nirgunatva may be real or unreal, or it may convey the sense of Abhāvadharmas; Sagunatva is unharmed. Hence, Bhāvadharmas are to be admitted inevitably by Nirgunaśruti as admitting Abhāvadharmas. Bhāvadharmas, such as Jñātattva, Viśayatva, Abhāvadharmaśrayatva and others are to be accepted.

Vādirāja promises that the text Tattvamasi also indicates the Bheda of Anyonyābhāvarūpa. Bheda or difference between Tat and Tvam is Bhāvarūpaviśeṣa. The Advaita cannot deny this difference for having not admitted Bhāvarūpaviśeṣas.³⁵⁷

REFUTATION OF VYĀVAHĀRIKAPARATVA TO ŚRUTIS AND GUṆAS

The Nirguna Śruti cannot attribute Vyāvahārikatva to other Śrutis or to Guṇas. This Śruti with its primary power may deny the presence of Guṇas in Brahman. But on implication, it cannot give up the Bhāvagūṇas such as Śabdatva and the like that are Āśraya to its Svarūpa at the same time. But really speaking, like Bhāvagūṇas such as Śabdatva and others, it cannot deny Bhāvagūṇas of Brahman such as Sarvajñatva and others. Therefore, here the primary Vṛtti or power is more important since it conveys the acceptable sense.³⁵⁸

The Nirgunatva of Brahman, proclaimed in the Nirguna Śruti will not cause any harm to its Upajīvyas^{358A} that are Śabdatva and the like which are real. On the same ground, the unlimited Bhāvadharma such as Sarvajñatva, Sarveśvaratva and so on, cannot be denied by this Nirguna-śruti. But this Nirguna-śruti definitely denies Durgūṇas or demerits, and also material Guṇas such as Satva, Rajas and Tamas.³⁵⁹

The Sarvajñatva and the like which are the Bhāvadharma are also Upajīvyas like the Śabdatva of the Nirguna-śruti. So this Śruti should be meant that it affords protection to similar Upajīvyadharmas. And the Bhāvadharma such as Sarvajñatva^{and} others, are self-Upajīvyas and are absolutely found in the Lord. Thus, having resorted to Bhāvadharma such as Śabdatva and others, how can the Nirguna-śruti deny

or discard other Bhāvadharma. It is not possible. Like, where there is a pot it is not proper to deny its presence.³⁶⁰ Thus, all other Śruti-passages that declare the Bhāvadharma of the Lord such as Sarvajñatva and others become Upajīvyā to Nirguṇa-śruti. Therefore, this Nirguṇa-śruti cannot deny them. The Prākṛtaguṇas are those, that are with changes, seen in the Jīvas and not in Brahman. So this Śruti proclaims that Prākṛtaguṇas are not there in Brahman. It does not deny Bhāvadharma of Brahman such as Sarvajñatva and others, that are Aprākṛta. So as other Śrutis would become Upajīvyas³⁶¹ real, they also declare the auspicious attributes of Brahman. And hence, Vyāvahārikatva cannot be attributed to both Śrutis and Guṇas of Brahman.

BHĀVA OR POSITIVITY IS PREFERRED TO ABHĀVA OR NEGITIVITY

The Nirguṇaśruti is supposed to be a Śruti that gives the sense of Abhāva or negation, absence and hence it is called Abhāvaśruti. And the other Śrutis that convey the sense of Bhāva, existence, presence are known to be Bhāva-śrutis.

The Nirguṇaśruti is a denoter of Abhāvadharma and others are of Bhāvadharma. Among these two types of Dharmas, it is better to get retained Bhāvadharma of the Lord. Moreover, scholars say that there is difficulty in respect of

Abhāva. It means, it is a difficult task to prove the Abhāva-dharmas in Brahman, whereas it is easy to prove the Bhāva-dharmas in Brahman.³⁶²

In the text Neha nānāsti kincana, the term Kincana conveys the sense of Bhāva, Vācya and Bodhya of some kind. So really speaking, there is no scope and possibility to accept only Abhāva-dharmas in Brahman. So admitting Abhāva to that Śruti, becomes self-contradictory. As Bodhya is real, the Bodhaka-śruti is also real (unsublated). As the Śruti is beginningless and eternal, its meaning is also eternal and beginningless. So Bhāva is to be admitted as real.³⁶³ The Śruti Neha nānāsti kincana denies only difference in Brahman and not the presence of Bhāva-dharmas in Brahman.

The Bodhaka sentence would not exist if there had not been the Bhāva-dharma viz., Vakṛtva in Lord Hari, who, disclosing the Vedas, taught them to others. Then the Śrutis such as 'Neha nānā...' and others, being absent, would not have conveyed any meaning. Further, the absence of that would be a severe defect in the form of Svarūpahāni (self-destruction)³⁶⁴ Therefore, Dharmin must be taken for granted, otherwise Brahman would cease to be there. The term Iha, in that Śruti establishes Satyatva of Brahman.

If the Bodhaka sentence is regarded as Vyāvahārika-satya or empirically real, then Bodhya-Brahman will have to become Vyāvahārika-satya. According to the Advaita, Vyāvahārika-satya means, ultimately total negation (absence). Thus, Brahman Himself becomes totally negated.³⁶⁵

And if the Śruti does not impart real knowledge, it becomes Atattvavedaka. Then how can it be the destroyer of Avidyā? Therefore, if Brahman is accepted and declared as real, then, the Śruti, which gives the knowledge of Brahman, should also be taken as real.³⁶⁶ A Śruti of superimposed reality cannot convey or describe real Brahman just as a barren woman (a woman of superimposed womanness) cannot beget any children. So, it is to be admitted that Nirguna-śruti denies only Prākṛta-guṇas in Brahman. Therefore, Vādirāja asserts that Nirguna-śruti, being attracted by the auspicious, supreme and extra-ordinary personality of the Lord, does not deny the Bhāvarūpadharmas, whereas by discarding the Prākṛta-guṇas, it glorifies the Lord.³⁶⁷ In this way Bhāva is preferred to Abhāva.

EXPOSITION OF THE NIRGUṆA-ŚRUTI³⁶⁸

On accepting the Advaita view, there appears contradiction among the Śruti texts. E.g., the Śrutis Ekamevādvitīyam Tattvamasī^{368A} and the like, and the Nirguna Śruti, since

conveying the sense of Bhāva and Abhāva respectively become contradictory to each other. The text Ekamevādvitīyaṁ indicates Ekatva-dharma, whereas the Nirguna-śruti debars all the Dharmas in Brahman. If the Nirguna-śruti is regarded as Pramāṇa or valid then the Ekamevādvitīyaṁ Śruti becomes Apramāṇa or invalid. Then the intended oneness of identity would not result.³⁶⁹ If the Ekamevādvitīyaṁ Śruti is regarded as valid, then the Nirguna-śruti becomes invalid. And that will prove supremacy, Guṇapūrṇatva and the like of Brahman. And again the intended oneness or identity would not be there. So on account of mutual contradiction, the Śruti passages of both the types seem to be invalid (sublated).

The connotation of the words depends upon the usage of the learned. Therefore, the usage of the learned is to be taken into account. If it is not taken as authority, then the literal meaning of the words may differ and become incorrect. The word Paṅkaja is not taken to mean a frog, but the usage of the learned reveals that the term denotes 'lotus'. In the same way, the word Suvarṇa cannot mean 'fire' on account of Yaugikārtha-possessing dazzling brilliance.' So ignoring the understanding of the usage of the learned it is not proper to accept the Yaugikārtha viz., devoid of Guṇas to the term Nirguna. According to the Advaita, there can be no usage that aims at Brahman

since Brahman is not Vācya by any words.³⁷⁰ The term Nirguṇa is primarily used in Brahman. And for this, there is support of the usages in Śrutis and Smṛtis.³⁷¹

Therefore, the meaning of the words when employed to convey a certain object, is to be taken without prejudice or harm to the basic characteristics of the object, like the word Guru. The term Guru could be used in a teacher on account of teaching quality etc., in case of a weighty object (stone etc.) and also in respect of variegated. So the basic features are to be taken into account when a word is to be employed to convey certain objects. In the same way, the term Nirguṇa, when employed to Brahman, with restriction, denies the three Prākṛta-guṇas and not the other innumerable auspicious Guṇas as in Kanyakānūdarā. Here, Anūdarā does not mean that the girl has no waist but it conveys that she has a very slender waist.³⁷²

So depending on the context, the meaning of the term differs. The term Nirguṇa when employed to describe an ordinary man, it may give the sense of absence of Saḍguṇa in that man, and if the same word, when applied to Lord Brahman - an embodiment of auspicious qualities it gives the sense of the absence of Prākṛta-guṇas and not Aprākṛta-guṇas.³⁷³

NIRGUNA MEANS DEVOID OF THREE GUNAS ACCORDING TO THE BHĀGAVATA

Lord Hari is totally disassociated from Prakṛti and Prākṛta-tattva. Hence, He alone can be called Nirguna. He, who worships the Lord Nirguna, will also become Nirguna, that means by Lord's grace, he, being released of the Prakṛti-bandha, will attain Mukti. Thus, Lord Hari is glorified as Nirguna in the Bhāgavata. Hence, on account of the absence of three material qualities and being embodied with all the auspicious Guṇas, He (denoted by the Nirguna-Śruti) is Brahman; who is absolutely śuddha.³⁷⁴ When the devotee with His grace gets released from the bondage (Prakṛti constituting three Guṇas- Sattva, Rajas and Tamas) and attains Mukti, (state of the absence of the effect of three Guṇas) how can then the Lord be a Sabala (impure due to the association of three Guṇas)? When River Gaṅgā, since touching the holy feet of the Lord, has become holy and pure to all, how then the Lord be impure?³⁷⁵ - asks Vādirāja.

And moreover, the description of Mukti is Nirguna has to mean beyond trinity (free from three Guṇas). If it is interpreted as devoid of any Guṇa, then no body would long for and try for such Mukti.³⁷⁶

The Bhāgavata, undoubtedly states that Lord Hari is Nirguna on account of the absence of three Guṇas. And the

same term is also applied to Muktas secondarily, since they too, for attaining Mukti, are freed from three Gunas.³⁷⁷

Further, Vādirāja discusses the topic in most appealing and different manner. Śiva has Prākṛta form and his worship will become the cause material wealth (progress). Lord Hari has Aprākṛta or extra-ordinary form and His worship would become the cause Aprākṛta fortune (Mokṣa). This also proves that the Lord Hari is Aprākṛta means Triguṇa-śunya. The Aprākṛta form of the Lord is of the nature of Cit only. And this form is Satya and Nitya. Hence, Aprākṛta qualities such as Sarvajñatva (Omniscience), Sarvaśaktitva (Omnipotence) of the Lord are eternal. They will never get sublated.³⁷⁸ So the Nirguṇa should be understood as devoid of three Prākṛta Gunas.

THE SENSE OF ABSENCE OF QUALITIES' LEADS TO MUTUAL CONTRADICTION

In the same context,³⁷⁹ (6th Chapter Śve.Up.) the term Sarvavid denotes Omniscience.³⁸⁰ Likewise Ekah, Devah, and Sākṣi etc. are the words found in the same passage, that declare Lord Brahman as Saguṇa (having Sadguṇas or auspicious qualities). When all the words give the sense of Saguṇatva, it is improper to deny the Gunas in Brahman by a single word Nirguṇa of the same sentence. Otherwise, there arises mutual

contradiction among the words of the same sentence.³⁸¹ If Eko devah of that sentence is to be supposed as Anuvāda^{381A} (secondary) then on the same ground, the Nirguna-word should also be considered as Anuvāda. Therefore, in the same sentence, this is not correct to have such discrimination. Moreover, a single word of a sentence cannot deny the purport of other words of the same sentence.

So, if the term Nirguna is taken to mean as devoid of all qualities, then, Ekatva, too, being a quality, is to be denied. Thus, Nirguna, if understood as absence of qualities, leads to mutual contradiction. Ekatva, Devatva etc., are the qualities denoted by that verse. Among all these qualities, preferring the only one quality, that is Ekatva; if other qualities are denied account of the term Nirguna therein; then it becomes as good as saying that there is difference in the homogeneous delicious food of the same vessel. So, if other Guṇas are to be denied, then the Ekatva should also be denied. All the qualities conveyed by the terms, from Eka to Kevala, are to be taken into account. As the term Nirguna cannot deny the Ekatva, it also cannot deny other Guṇas conveyed by the intervening terms of that sentence.

The Lord incarnated Vedavyāsa does not admit the

negation of even a single Guna. In the Brahmasūtra, He states- "Sarvadharmopapatteśca," which clearly declares that the Lord is an embodiment of unlimited qualities and is devoid of all demerits. The Śrutis are to be interpreted in accordance with the Sūtras. And these Sūtras, composed by Vedavyāsa, admit auspicious qualities of the Lord and never deny them.³⁸²

THE ŚRUTI WORDS, SINCE CONVEY DHARMA-VIDHĀYAKA SENSE, ARE MORE POWERFUL

All the words of this Śruti state one or the other meritorious qualities of Brahman. Therefore, they are more powerful. If the ni prefix, conveying the sense of negation in the term Nirguna, is separated and added to all the words of that Śruti-text independently then Ekatva would be no more. And if it is not dissolved and not added to others, then there is no (meaning) sense in saying that it protects the Ekatvadharmas and denies all other Dharmas.³⁸³

THE ŚRUTIS ARE NOT ANUVĀDAKAS³⁸⁴

The Advaitins hold that certain passages of the Śruti are Anuvādākas, mere repetitions and hence fit to be rejected. If this is so, then there must be some indicative terms such as 'Yat', 'Tat' and the like. But such indicative terms are not there in this Nirguna Śruti. So the words of this

Śruti or the whole passage cannot be considered as Anuvāḍaka. The presence of indicative terms may be found where there are both Anuvāḍa and Niṣedha in only one sentence or passage. Otherwise Na is used separately in difference sentence.³⁸⁵

To declare certain data as Anuvāḍita, it must have been already conveyed by some other Pramāṇas. There, the question of negation does not arise. If Niṣedhakatva is understood by the word Nirguṇa, then all the Dharmas of that sentence, including Ekatva become invalid. When the Dharmas are Anuvāḍita (invalid) then those need not be negated by the Nirguṇa word. Thus, on either grounds, the Niṣedhakatva is not the intended and suitable meaning of the Nirguṇa word in this context. In this way, there arises the defect of mutual dependence.³⁸⁶ And even if the term Nirguṇa is understood as rejecting the Guna, it cannot deny the Dharmas such as Ekatva and others. It is to be questioned whether the Anuvāḍita Dharmas (Sagunatva etc., according to the Advaita) are conveyed by the Pramāṇas other than the Vedas or by the Advaita or by Veda-Pramāṇas? Let the Dharmas be conveyed by any means, the Anuvāḍakatva cannot be conveyed and attributed to that. Because, the qualities of the Lord such as Sarvajñatva and the like, are eternally conveyed by the Vedas.^{386A} So they need not be conveyed by any other Pramāṇas. Therefore they cannot be called the Anuvāḍita Dharmas. If these Dharmas stand conveyed by the Śruti, then also these cannot be rejected by the Nirguṇa Śruti. Whatever

is conveyed by one section of the Śruti, cannot be rejected by another section of the same Śruti. Otherwise, the very validity of the Śruti gets affected. So the Anuvādatva cannot be established in respect of the Saguna passages.³⁸⁷

Further, the Ekatva and the like, are unaffected even when they are accrued with Anuvādatva. In such case, they convey the object of knowledge as it is. Hence, it will not become invalid. Agnirhimasya bheṣajam conveys that fire destroys snow. This fact becomes well-known and firm by this statement. So the Anuvādatva will not cause any harm to the purport.³⁸⁸ Because, it has conveyed what is confirmed by direct observation. So the Anuvādatva has nothing to do with negation. Thus, the Nirguna Śruti will not deny or reject the Bhāvagūṇas such as Sarvajñatva and the like of Brahman conveyed by other Śrutis.³⁸⁹ So the Śruti opines that all the Guṇas of the Lord are Svābhāvika and hence the question of denying them does not arise.³⁹⁰ The Guṇas of the Lord cannot be considered as Vyāvahārika, since, even before creation, all these Guṇas were there as they are even today. The eternal Veda proclaims them as eternal.^{390A} So Vyāvahārikatva cannot be ascribed to these Guṇas that are unsublated for ever. The Śruti Yāvad Brahman viśīṭam tāvatī vāk,^{390B} clarifies that both Brahman and Śruti are beginningless and eternal. The Śrutis are Nitya, that means they get

manifested from the Lord at the time of creation. So the creation is manifestation in respect of the Vedas. Therefore, all the Śrutis are Satya and Nitya. The Nirguṇa Śruti, hence, denies the Prākṛta-dharma that are different from the Nitya-dharma of the Lord such as Kartṛtva, Bhokṛtva and Phala-dāṭṛtva etc. Hence, it is to be admitted that the term Nirguṇa does not belittle or reject other Śruti passages.

Here Vādirāja quotes some Śrutis and the statements of the Bhāgavata in defence of Guṇa-declaration. These statements clearly state that Lord Brahman is Sarvagūṇaparipūrṇa, possessing all the good qualities. There is no limit so far as His ocean of qualities is concerned. Even thousand faced Śeṣa cannot count His auspicious qualities. Thus, all these statements establish the Anantatva (infinity) of the auspicious qualities of the Lord.³⁹¹

Further, if the Śruti words are dissolved as Kevalah and Anirguṇaśca then the purpose will serve very easily. The expressive meaning will remain unharmed. It conveys uncontradictory and unsublated sense as Brahman is not devoid of qualities. This explanation also removes the mutual contradiction and proves the Ekavākyatā.³⁹²

THE ADVAITA INTERPRETATION³⁹³ IS SELF-CONTRADICTORY

Now, if it is argued that the passage Kevalo nirgunaśca (Śve.Up.) denies all the Guṇas, then it will lead to the rejection of Jñāna, Ānanda and the like of Brahman. If Brahman is understood as of the nature of Jñāna, Ānanda and the like the Nirguṇa Śruti, if understood according to the Advaita, will also reject these Dharmas when interpreted as above.³⁹⁴ If the Dharmas - Jñāna, Ānanda and the like are said to be identical with Brahman, then on the same ground Guṇas (Dharmas) such as Sarvajñatva and the like, are also to be understood as identical with Brahman. The Śruti Neha nānāsti kiñcana^{394A} denies the difference between Brahman and His qualities. So let there be Abheda between the Lord and His qualities.³⁹⁵ There is no impropriety in this. The Nirguṇa Śruti rejects the qualities that are not identical with Brahman. So the Guṇatva and Ekatva can be present in Brahman.³⁹⁶ As the above Śruti - Neha nānā... directly rejects the Bheda, there is no possibility to think of the Bhedābheda in Brahman. The Guṇatva and Ekatva may be present in Brahman at the same time and it is possible with the help of the Viśeṣa.^{396A}

Further, if something is not possible to a person, the very possibility cannot be ruled out completely. Because it may be possible to another man. In the same way, everything

is possible in Brahman. In the Bhāgavata, the Lord declares Himself as Ananta. He clarifies that each Guna is complete in itself and unlimited and it is cognized as Ananta by Him. Thus, the Guṇānantya of the Lord refers to each quality.³⁹⁷ All this is possible with the help of the Viśeṣa, which is also called Bhedapratidinidhi since it assists for Bheda-vyavahāra where, really speaking, there is no Bheda at all.³⁹⁸ The Brahmasūtra-Ātmani caivam vicitraśca hi (II-i-29) states that the Brahman is endowed with this Viśeṣa-power that ascertains the Guṇānantya of Brahman without any contradiction.^{398A}

THE SARVAJNATVA AND THE LIKE ARE ALSO BRAHMASVARŪPA

The Advaitins contend that Sarvajñatva of Brahman is Sopādhika (conditional). And whatever is Sopādhika is not absolutely real.^{398A} Because, to gain Sarvajñatva, the knowledge of the whole world is necessary. When the world is caused by Mithyopādhī, the knowledge of that should also be caused by Mithopādhī. So the Sarvajñatva (an attribute of having the knowledge of Mithyā-world) being Sopādhika and limited, it cannot become identical with the nature of Brahman which is Nirupādhika (unconditional - unlimited).

But Vādirāja argues that the world cannot be Mithyā, or Sopādhika. It is not caused by any Upādhī. The world is

real, Its reality is conveyed by the Śrutis.³⁹⁹ So the Sarvajñatva is not Sopādhika. And both, the Sarvajñatva and the nature of Brahman could be stated as one and the same.⁴⁰⁰ The Mithyātva of the Advaitins is self-imagined and superimposed. If there is any doubt regarding the reality of the world, then why not the same case regarding the unreality of the world. Thus, this view of mutual contradiction about the reality of the world (personal views of different sects) will not affect and harm the Sarvajñatva of Brahman, which is conveyed and proved by the Śrutis.⁴⁰¹

Further, the identity of the world with Brahman cannot be stated on the basis of the identity of Brahman and Sopādhika Sarvajñatva, since both Sarvajñatva and the world are Sopādhika.

Moreover, their view is also unsound. Because, the knowledge of a pot is of Manorūpa, but the pot itself is not of Manorūpa. The pot is outside and mind is inside.^{401A} In the same way, the knowledge of the whole world (Sarvajñatva) is of the nature of Brahman and not of the world. Further, the knowledge of the world (may be Mithyā according to the Advaita) is real as the knowledge of the silver in the conch-shell and of the serpent in the rope is real, since it is cognized by the Sākṣin. In the same way, though the

world is held to be Mithyā, the knowledge of that need not be so. Therefore, there is nothing wrong in considering Sarvajñatva as identical with the Brahmasvarūpa.⁴⁰² If it is argued that on account of the Mithyātva of the world, the knowledge of that also is to be taken to mean Mithyā, then why can't the object of real knowledge be considered as real. As the knowledge of Brahman is real, the objects (world etc.) of His knowledge, should also be treated as real.⁴⁰³ The knowledge of Brahman is real and Yathārtha, so the objects related to that knowledge are also real.⁴⁰⁴

Further, Vādirāja questions regarding the Sopādhika-Sarvajñatva itself. Is it mixed with the world caused by the Upādhi or is it only termed or indicated by the Upādhi? If it is admitted that the Sarvajñatva is mixed with the world caused by the Upādhi, then it is as good as saying that there is no Sarvajñatva, since the very Upādhi in the Advaita, is Mithyā.

Secondly, the Sarvajñatva cannot be termed as it is indicated by the Upādhi. As light of the sun, which is identical with the sun, in the same way, the knowledge present or abiding inside though having connected with the outside world, is identical with that person. So the Sarvajñatva of Brahman is identical with Brahman. Further,

if the knowledge related to the Mithyā object is taken to mean Mithyā, then the knowledge of Brahman too, is to be regarded as Mithyā since having as its object, the Mithyā world. Then it amounts to saying that Brahman too is Mithyā. According to the Advaita, the knowledge of Brahman has delusion. But in the Siddhānta, this defect is not there. Because, Lord Brahman has the knowledge of the real world. So He is of the nature of real Jñāna.⁴⁰⁵ Thus, the Sarvajñatva of Brahman becomes unsublated and this in turn suggests that all the Dharmas of the Lord are of His very nature. With the help of the Viśeṣa, Guṇagunitva, Ekatva, anekatva etc., are possible in the Brahman.⁴⁰⁶ Therefore, like Sukha, all the qualities are identical with Him.⁴⁰⁷

The Advaitins declare that the Brahman is of the nature of Jñānānanda. They do not contend that the Brahman alone is there and not the Jñāna and Ānanda. So also there is nothing wrong in declaring that the Brahman is of the nature of unlimited qualities. And all these qualities are identical with the Brahman. There is no charm and reason to lessen and limit the number of qualities in the Brahman. So Guṇatā, Gunitā, Sukhitā and Sukhatā are all possible in the Brahman. They are not contradictory. The Śruti-Viññānamānandam Brahma^{407A} states that the Lord is of the nature of Jñāna and Ānanda. And the Śruti-Ānandam brahmano

vidvān^{407B} specifies that the Brahman is possessing Ānanda. Thus, the first statement proves Sukhitā in the Brahman and the second the Sukhatā in Him. On the same ground, Gunatā and Gunitā are also established.⁴⁰⁸ Thus, Viññāna, Ānanda etc., convey the presence of innumerable qualities in the Brahman and not merely the Svarūpa of Brahman. Though they are identical with the Brahman, with the help of the concept of Viśeṣa, they are liable also for Bhedavyavahāra.⁴⁰⁹ In this way, the Nirguna-Śruti will also not cause any harm to other Saguna-Śrutis, but negates only the vicious qualities- Prākṛta qualities in Brahman.

THE REFUTATION OF AKHAṆDĀRTHAVĀDA^{409A}

The Advaitins opine that the Śruti passage- Satyam jñānam...^{409B} is Svarūpamātrapara. It may be an answer to the question- Kim Brahma. Therefore the above Śruti passage gives the Akhaṇḍārtha. But this is not correct. Because in an example- Kāścandraḥ (who is moon?), the question is asked to know the special features of the moon. One may be knowing already the moon as an illuminating object of the galaxy. But to know more about the moon i.e., its special features, he asks that question. Therefore, it is not an ordinary question but it is a particular question (Dharmavācaka) i.e., the question is- 'What are the special features of the moon? Who is possessing the Candratva? and so on.'⁴¹⁰ If the

question is meant to refer to Svarūpa only, it may be taken to mean as Candra only by nature, but that is not wanted. It is something more that is enquired into, i.e., the special features of the moon.

In the same way Kim Brahma is not an ordinary question related to Svarūpamātra. Here also, to know the special features of the Brahman, the question is asked. So the Śruti- Satyam jñānam.. is a reply which is the relevant Lakṣanavākya. And this Lakṣanavākya states the special features of the Brahman such as Satyatva, Jñānatva that are not found elsewhere. It declares that all these Dharmas are complete.⁴¹¹ If it is taken to mean Svarūpamātrapara, then there would have been only one term and not more terms. In that case, other terms would become useless.⁴¹² By way of Lakṣanā it is not befitting to say that Satya is 'other than Asatya,' Jñāna stands for 'other than Ajñāna' and Ānanda stands for 'other than Duḥkha.' In such case, in the oft-quoted passage 'Gaṅgāyām ghoṣaḥ, the term Gaṅgā will have to mean 'not Agāṅgā' instead of the bank (Tīra) as understood by one and all. Then both Gaṅgā and Lakṣya-bank appear to be conveyed by Lakṣanā which is absurd. In fact, the terms Satya and the like convey the Dharmas of Satyatva and the like of the Brahman. The term Satya itself negates the possibility of Asatya. These terms directly convey the Dharmas of

Satyatva and the like which is the primary meaning of those terms. The Lakṣyārtha (secondary meaning) is taken into account only when Mukhyārtha (primary meaning) gets sublated.⁴¹³ The basic fact is, without Mukhyārtha, there cannot be Lakṣyārtha.⁴¹⁴ The Advaitins may say that the Brahman, though not having Satyatva, is not Mithyā being of Sadrūpa. But this is not correct because, without Satyatva there cannot be Sadrūpatva.^{414A} Otherwise horns of the rabbit, though not having Satyatva, should also be taken to mean Sadrūpa. The Satyatva and the Sadrūpatva go together always. And wherever there is no Satyatva, there is no Sadrūpatva. Therefore, to admit Sadrūpatva in the Brahman, the Satyatva must be accepted. Otherwise, the Brahman cannot be of the Sadrūpa as a head, when shaved, is deprived of hair.⁴¹⁵

If it is said that the term Satya conveys the Brahman by Lakṣaṇā, then there must be something else to be Vācya and real (by which the Brahman is implied and suggested). And that real could be the world. So if the Brahman becomes Lakṣya - secondary meaning, then the world becomes Vācya (primary meaning). Thus, the Lakṣaṇā of the Advaitins promises to guarantee two real things - world and Brahman. And this Lakṣita Brahman, becoming real, will not give up the Satyatva of its own. So conveying of Satyatva and the like is inevitable.

Likewise, if the Śruti- Tattvamasī⁴¹⁶ is treated as Svarūpamātrapara, then the Aikya cannot be termed in Brahman since according to the Advaita as the Brahman is devoid of all the Dharmas, this Aikyadharmā too, cannot be traced there. When the Aikyadharmā is not there, identity of Brahman and Jīva is not possible. Thus, this Śruti conveys the primary sense Bheda.⁴¹⁷

So here the Lakṣaṇa is not meant as conveying the secondary meaning, but the term Lakṣaṇa refers to special or extra-ordinary features of Brahman. That means it conveys the Dharma such as Satyatā, Jñānatā and Anantatā.

Even if the Advaitins deny the Dharmas such as Satyatva, Jñānatva etc., their intended Akhaṇḍārtha is not proved and established and Sakhaṇḍatva is not dropped. Because, the Advaitins may negate the Dharmas viz., Satyatva and the like, but cannot deny Lakṣyatva, Amukhyārthaviśayatva and the like. These Dharmas are unaffected even at the negation of Satyatva etc.⁴¹⁸ In fact, Akhaṇḍatva is also a Dharma. If this too is negated, with a view to declare Brahman as Nirdharmika, then Sakhaṇḍatva occurs automatically. Because, Abhāva (negation) of Akhaṇḍatva means Sakhaṇḍatva.⁴¹⁹

EXPOSITION OF THE CONCEPT VIŚEṢA

"The relation between substance and attributes is one of the intriguing problems of philosophy. It has well-high taxed the ingenuity and resources of philosophers in the East and in the West. Madhva's contribution to the solution of this problem is both original and significant. He has actually contributed a new idea, the concept of Viśeṣas - to the treatment of this philosophical problem. It is an outstanding discovery of his. Madhva accepts a relation of 'colourful identity' (Saviśeṣabheda) in respect of coessential attributes and difference-cum-identity (Bhedābheda) in the case of transient attributes.

Ḳhandite bheda aikyaṁ ca; syādvastu na bhedavat(TV)

He has thus made a striking efforts to rise above the 'dualism' of substance and attributes and combine them into a homogeneous whole that admits, however, of logical conceptual and linguistic distinction, wherever necessary, thro' the self-differentiating capacity of substances themselves, to be known as "Viśeṣas."⁴²⁰

It is peculiar characteristic of things which makes the talk of difference possible where, really speaking, there exists only identity.^{420A}

The concept Viśeṣa is an unlimited power of Lord Brahman

which is His very nature, that plays the role of conveying the identity of the attributes of Brahman that appear mutually distinct for common understanding and also that helps for Bhedavyavahāra. This Viśeṣa conjoins and distinguishes the attributes for Bhedavyavahāra and it does not spoil the^{420B} very nature and identity of the attributes of the Brahman. And it does not refer to and conjoin the attributes that are of opposite nature such as Baddhatva, Muktatva since they spoil the very nature and greatness of Brahman. This Viśeṣa, though it is one of the Guṇas (or is included in Guṇas), its function goes on without any obstacle.⁴²¹ With the help of this Viśeṣa, presence of the attributes of mutual contradiction is possible in the Brahman such as Anutva (atomic form), Mahattva (universal form) and the like.⁴²² Such wonderful attributes such as Anīmā-mahimā, Garimā-laghimā are present in the Brahman as a mark of His unlimited treasure of auspicious qualities. This Viśeṣa also establishes the identity of the Brahman with His each unlimited Guṇa. This conveys the Nityatva to the Lord's Bala, Jñāna, Kriyā and the like. The concept Viśeṣa may be defined as- "that extra-ordinary power of Brahman as His nature that fulfills the need of Bheda-vyavahāra where there is no Bheda at all; and also infinity of the attributes individually." Here the function of Bheda by Viśeṣa is restricted to that which is conveyed by the Śruti. Therefore, it is to be understood that it

does not serve the purpose of identitying Duḥkha, Jīva and the like in the Brahman.⁴²³ To prove Abheda of this Viśeṣa with the Brahman, we do not require any other Viśeṣa, lest that may lead to endless regression, it proves of its identity with the Brahman itself and not with the help of another Viśeṣa. So it is Svanirvāhaka like a lamp, that reveals other objects and does not require another lamp to get itself revealed.⁴²⁴ It is Svanirvāhaka, means self-competent, self-explicable and self-related for dealing. It is nothing but an intrinsic power, peculiar, and particular of respective objects.^{424A} The qualities of Brahman are not different from Him. But these are referred to as distinguished through this Viśeṣa. This is the real purpose of Viśeṣa.

The Guṇas are the very nature of Guṇin. So the Viśeṣa, being a Guṇa, is the very nature of the Brahman and hence establishes the identity of them and distinguishes the same for the sake of usage. For the sake of usage as Guṇa of the Brahman, the Viśeṣa is accepted that playing the role of the representative of Bheda, assists for usage on one hand and establishes the identity of Brahman and His Guṇas on the other.^{424B} The incarnations of the Lord such as Rāma, Kṛṣṇa and the like are not different from Him. All are identical in nature.^{424C} In the same way, the unlimited auspicious qualities of the Lord Nārāyaṇa such as Sarvajñatva etc., are identical with

each other and are present even in incarnations. The unlimited forms and innumerable qualities are identical. There is no mutual Bheda among the forms and qualities of the Lord.⁴²⁵

It can be stated that, the Viśeṣa too is conveyed by the Śruti. Because, the Śruti states that the Brahman is Guṇapūrṇa, Guṇaviśiṣṭa and there is no difference between Guṇa and Guṇin. Explicitly it appears contradictory and illogical. But for conveying the real import of the Veda, all these three are grouped together in sense (Viśeṣa, Guṇa and Guṇin). And for that, the Viśeṣa is to be admitted which successfully accomplishes this function. With the help of this Viśeṣa, difference-in-identity and identity-in-difference could be conveyed. Identity can be established with reference to Guṇatva and Guṇitva in the Lord like Sukha and the like. It means Sukha, Jñāna etc., are the very nature of Brahman. The Vācya varūpa guṇa of these is conveyed and Guṇaguṇibhāva is thus possible with the strength of Viśeṣa.⁴²⁶ The Śruti-Yathodakam,...^{426A} stating the Brahman as possessing unlimited attributes, negates the difference thereof. So this very Śruti conveys the Viśeṣa, described above in detail.⁴²⁷ So to prove the validity of this Śruti, the Viśeṣa should be admitted in the Brahman as His Svarūpaśakti that indeed dispels the contradiction being seen in the explicit appearance of Guṇaguṇibhāva, identity of the Guṇas and the like.


Thus, it is not possible to state the relation of attributed and attribute without the help of such concept which is termed Bhedapratidinidhi (playing the role of the representative of difference). This is also required to relate the plurality with regard to the attributes of same object.⁴²⁸ Jayatīrtha says that these Viśeṣas are innumerable subject to manifold and innumerable dealings and usages.⁴²⁹

II. ŚUDDHISĀURABHA

NIRDOSATVA OF THE LORD IN HIS MŪLARŪPA AND IN AVATĀRARŪPAS

In the Guṇasaurabha the Guṇapūrnatva of the Lord Nārāyaṇa was established. In this Śuddhisaurabha, the Nirdoṣatva of the Lord is established. The theme of this Saurabha is "Lord Nārāyaṇa is absolutely free from all demerits and drawbacks."

Vādirāja asserts that even the act of searching for a demerit in great persons, is wrong. So, it becomes an unworthy act to refer to blemishes or flaws of Lord Hari, who is Ever-free from all demerits. He is Nirdoṣa being endowed with innumerable auspicious qualities.⁴³⁰ And whatever seems to be a defect in ordinary persons need not be a defect in the great. The Lord destroying the whole created universe at its end, stands unaffected. E.g. giving up of daily religious duties is sinful in respect of those, who are in

Samprajñatāsamādhi but it seems not sinful in case of those who are in deep meditation or Asamprajñatāsamādhi. So the Lord is defectless even when He gets engaged in some destructive deed and such a destruction appears sinful from the point of view of only ordinary persons. Thus even killing Rāvaṇa is not a sinful act. The Lord is Acyuta having no demerits.⁴³¹ It is said, Lord Nārāyaṇa, during Pralaya, sleeps on a leaf. But that leaf exists without any tree. When there is such greatness  in the case of the leaf at Pralaya then what to say about the greatness of the Lord who sleeps on that.⁴³² The Lord has no birth and death. He is eternal. Because, birth and death are also a type of Doṣas as they exist in the bound souls. But Lord Hari is an Eternally Liberated Supreme Soul. The absence of pre-existence may be the cause of effect in case of others. But the Lord is an exception to this as He is Eternally Existent. Even during Pralaya He is not destroyed. So there is no absence of pre-existence in the Lord. Thus, He is not born like others.⁴³³ There is no cause as such for Lord's birth, since He is not born. The four-faced Brahmā is born out of Lord's navel and god Śiva is born of His wrath, but the Lord is not at all born from any source. It means, there is nothing that could be thought of as the cause of His birth.⁴³⁴ When there is no cause, no effect (birth) as such can result. The presence of the

Lord, during the Pralaya, justifies that even when everything in the universe is destroyed, He is not destroyed and He is present even before everything is created. So this fact proves that He has no birth and death.

Now one may say that the Lord is Apūrṇa since He, in the beginning, tends towards the creation of this universe. But this argument is not tenable since this inclination towards creation is for the sake of others and not for His sake like the overflowing of the water from a tank is to irrigate the adjacent lands and not for its own benefit. In the same way, the Lord engages in the creation etc., with a view to give different states to different souls,⁴³⁵ (Mokṣa, Svarga and Naraka). Lord Nārāyaṇa has no displeasure and delusion. He is an embodiment of bliss and knowledge. Therefore, neither is He sorrowful nor deluded.⁴³⁶ The displeasure and the like happen as a result of the misdeeds and the like in one's past life.⁴³⁷ But as the Lord is never born, there is no question of His past life and performance of misdeeds and the like. He neither gets prospered nor degraded by any action, since His engagement in activity, is not for His own sake,⁴³⁸ but with a view to bless the devotees, He gets engaged in multifarious activities. We learn that the Lord, in His incarnation of Kṛṣṇa, has eaten butter, drunk milk and so on. But by this, we cannot conclude

that He also has the feeling of hunger, thirst and the like. Because, generally, the feeling of hunger, thirst and the others, are not seen even in the liberated souls. Those feelings are there only upto liberation. The Lord, being eternally liberated, cannot have either hunger or thirst. And likewise the Lord is independent. Although He sits on Garuda and moves, He is not dependent. Because, when the whole earth was drowning into water, the Lord lifted it up and at that time, there was neither Garuda nor others to support Him. So His sitting on Garuda etc., is only to favour them by receiving devotional service from them. In His several incarnations, some activities of the Lord may appear as if defective. And, one may ascribe Him pain, sorrow and the like as it happened in the case of Rāma who lamented for Sītā. But there, it does not mean that Rāma was incapable of regaining Sītā and hence suffered a lot. Because, the same Rāma, in His Kṛṣṇa form went to Anantāsana to bring back the child of a brahmin. For Him, getting back Sītā was not a great and impossible task. The fact is, as the Lord is all-pervasive, He was there all the time with Sītā, even in Laṅkā. Even then Lord's variegated deeds are to impart instruction regarding the behaviour to the human beings as it is remarked in the Bhāgavata.⁴³⁹ Although, He killed Rāvaṇa who was a brahmin, He did not gain any sin by that. Because, at the end of the Yuga or age, He even

swallows the creator Brahmā, but He was not stained with any sin. Therefore, there is no Brahmahatyādoṣa as such. And His installing the Śivaliṅga at Rāmeśvara, is to offer a chance to god Śiva to look at Setu and to get rid of the sin of Brahmahatyā,⁴⁴⁰ caused by the cutting the fifth head of God Brahmā. So at the request of Śiva, Lord Rāma installed the Śivaliṅga there. And keeping friendship with Sugrīva is also not defectful. King although capable, goes as if led by the servant; Lord Rāma, who is capable to take with Him the creatures to the Brahmaloḥa,⁴⁴¹ has no need to depend upon others.

Then Vādirāja deals with the Kṛṣṇāvatāra and its Nir-doṣatva. Lord Kṛṣṇa is also free from birth and death. Because, in His belly, all the worlds exist and they were seen by His mother Yaśodā as such. His showing the Brahmaṇḍa in His mouth proves that He is beyond birth and death.⁴⁴² The holy mark of Śrīvatsa, which is there on the chest of Lord Nārāyaṇa, was seen on the body of Kṛṣṇa.⁴⁴³ So Kṛṣṇa is none other than Lord Viṣṇu.⁴⁴⁴

The Lord is not subject to Cheda, Bheda and the like.⁴⁴⁵ When Kṛṣṇa showed His Viśvarūpa to Arjuna, the latter saw all the warriors of his enemy side, being clutched between the teeth of Kṛṣṇa. So how can such a Lord be killed and

cut off by the same warriors on the ground.⁴⁴⁶ Therefore, He is Acchhedya and Abhedya. When Kṛṣṇa came to Duryodhana for the talks of compromise, Duryodhana intended to bind him, but could not. So, Lord Hari is beyond and not subject to destruction like Cheda, Bheda, Bandhana etc. Thus, Lord Hari, in His incarnations, appears to be weak and defectful. But He is not so in reality. So, his appearance is like a male actor, who takes a female role on the stage; but by this very acting, he cannot be said to be a woman.⁴⁴⁷

Here after, Vādirāja quotes from the scriptures to substantiate what is proved above.

By this, it is clear that the Lord is free from all demerits. He, who credits demerits to the Lord, will become sinful. The Lord, therefore, in his original form or in the incarnated forms, is defectless. He is Blissful and Guṇa-pūrṇa. It means, He always enshrines with His intrinsic pure and blissful nature.⁴⁴⁸

REFUTATION OF ADVAITA CONCEPT OF AJÑĀNA

After clearing out the doubts regarding the Nirdoṣatva of the Lord, Vādirāja takes up for criticism the Advaita concept of Ajñāna.⁴⁴⁹ The Advaitins attribute Ajñāna or nescience to Brahman. They say that Brahman is the Āśraya

(locus) and Viṣaya (object) of Ajñāna.⁴⁵⁰ And it is said that He, because of this, undergoes Saṁsāra (transmigration). If all this is admitted, then Nirdoṣatva or defectlessness of the Lord would become baseless.

Vādirāja states that Brahman can be neither the Āśraya nor the Viṣaya of nescience. By superimposition of Ajñāna, only erroneous experience will result and that will lead to attaining states like Jīva bhāva. But the superimposition of nescience on Brahman is impossible. Because, according to the Advaita, superimposition is of two types: (1) Tādātmyā-rūpa - mistaking one entity for another and (2) Dharmārōpa - mistaking the attributes of one entity as the attributes of another entity, mistaking the attributes of body such as Sthūlatva, etc., as the attributes of the self.⁴⁵¹ But Brahman has no such erroneous experience of two kinds. It cannot be said "Ajñānam Brahma" - which means Ajñāna cannot be attributed to or transferred to Brahman saying "Brahma Ajñānam." Thus Ajñānarōpa is not possible in Brahman.⁴⁵² And the experience as Ajñoham - "I am ignorant" involves no superimposition. It is only the experience of Siddhā-jñāna.⁴⁵³ It may be superimposition only when association of nescience in that, is regarded as superimposed. For this, presence of nescience must be there somewhere before and same is to be wrongly associated with Brahman by superimposing

the attributes of that. But in the Advaita, there is no another entity⁴⁵⁴ other than Brahman, which can be the locus and object. Presence of nescience cannot be regarded as superimposed. And in the Advaita, nescience is not a different and independent entity. According to them, it is Brahmāśrita or associated with Brahman and not Anyāśrita.⁴⁵⁵

To have erroneous experience in Brahman, there should be nescience before, then it is to be superimposed. The expression "I am ignorant" may be erroneous in him, who has no nescience. And it is not erroneous in him, who has nescience. So, in the Advaita, Ajñānasamsargarōpa is not possible since, nescience is already associated with Brahman. So, there is no question of superimposition as such. And this association cannot be treated as superimposition. So, the expression- "I am ignorant" is not erroneous one. The superimposition of nescience might be possible, if Brahman is considered an Ādhāra or substratum of nescience and the attributes of Ādhāratva (state of being substratum) of Ajñāna are seen. But, the Advaita Brahman feels Itself as 'It is ignorant.' So the experience of ignorance is not all erroneous. Moreover, unless the superimposition of nescience is proved, the superimposition of its association cannot be proved and vice versa. The superimposition of nescience in Brahman is not possible since, nescience is not an independent and different entity. So, in the form of cognition "I am ignorant," there is no

Āropa of Tādātmya, and Samsarga as shown above.⁴⁵⁶ In the statement "I am ignorant," if Ajñānāropa is accepted, then there would be Apasiddhānta i.e., the very concept of their Siddhānta will collapse. For, according to the Advaita, nescience is associated with the very nature of Brahman and it is the root cause of the experienced such as "I am ignorant" etc., So how can either the nescience or its association be superimposed? The association of pot and earth is not at all superimposed (not imagined). It is real. So nescience being present with Brahman, is not erroneous, but it is to be accepted as real and non-erroneous.⁴⁵⁷ And Brahman is declared as Nirdoṣa or defectless in the Advaita.⁴⁵⁸ If association of nescience is referred to Brahman then the very Nirdoṣatva will be no more. And nescience cannot become erroneous to itself. It may cause erroneous experience such as pride etc., which are seen in the embodied soul. So it is evident that Ajnāna is Jīvāśrita and not Brahmāśrita. Thus, (superimposition of nescience in Brahman is not tenable. The nescience is eternal and hence there is no first and second nescience as such. Even if it is taken for granted, the latter does not become the cause of the defect of erroneous experience to the former. But, it may become the cause of the ascertainment of nescience as in darkness.⁴⁵⁹ Bhramā is possible, only when something is understood in its absence. In the same way, erroneous

experience (Bhramā) may get originated, only when superimposition of nescience or its association is possible. As shown above, the superimposition of Ajñāna is impossible. All this has been said and thus proved that the Advaita concept of Ajñāna remains unproved. Really speaking, in the eternity of Ajñāna, it cannot become the cause of superimposition of latter Ajñāna.⁴⁶⁰ Moreover, at the time of the ascertainment or apprehension (in the case of experience as "I am ignorant), nescience cannot become the cause of Bhramā (its superimposition). Because, cause should precede the effect. Ajñāna being a Doṣa or defect, should give rise to Bhramā (erroneous experience).⁴⁶¹ But here, both nescience and erroneous experience become mutually cause and effect.⁴⁶² It means whenever there is nescience, there is apprehension of erroneous experience and whenever there is erroneous experience, there is nescience (defect). Thus, the view is affected by Anyonyāśraya-doṣa or the fallacy of mutual dependence.⁴⁶³ Now the erroneousness cannot be said as born of nescience because according to the Advaita, even this erroneous experience of nescience is cognized by Sākṣin.⁴⁶⁴ And this Sākṣin is eternal and unborn. So in "I am ignorant," the knowledge of it, is cognized by eternal Sākṣin. And this experience is unborn and not erroneous. Whatever is not born of defect (nescience) is not erroneous experience.⁴⁶⁵ So, the expression "I am ignorant" does not accept Ajñāna as

Brahmāśrita, since there is no any valid proof. But it is clear that it is Jīvāśrita or associated with soul, where its effects such as pride, arrogance etc., are clearly perceptible. So, the association of nescience in Brahman is just imagined and baseless. Thus, in Brahman, as there is no nescience, there is no erroneous experience. In the Advaita, the self is Nirviśeṣa⁴⁶⁶ (devoid of all characteristics). So, how can there be defect of nescience and the erroneous experience from that in It? The Nirviśeṣatva view of the self (Brahman) does not permit nescience to be the cause of erroneous experience. So nescience concept of the Advaita is not tenable.

Now, if nescience is not superimposed, then it must be real. When it is real there is the loss of the Advaita. Not only this, the world created by this should also be declared as real. Because, when the cause is regarded as real then the effect must also be real. The real cause does not give rise to an unreal effect. By this, the Bheda or difference is also established and because of real nescience it remains unsublated so far as cognition is concerned. And according to the Advaita, whatever is real, like Brahman, never disappears.⁴⁶⁷ So, the real nescience remains as it is and because of this there is no Mokṣa or liberation. Mokṣa is cessation of nescience. When nescience

is real like Brahman there is no cessation and hence there is no liberation.⁴⁶⁸ Thus, the doctrines in the form of branches of the tree of the Advaita, such as identity, liberation fall one by one, since the very root Ajñāna of the Advaita-tree is not firm.

According to the Advaita, Pratikarmavyavasthiti means when the nescience which is Bandhaka or binder and the veil of an object, is removed by the preception of direct cognition (Aparokṣajñāna), then that entity becomes an object of knowledge Cetana. This is Pratikarmavyavasthitiḥ. As shown above, when the cessation of real nescience is impossible, then Pratikarmavyavasthitiḥ is baseless. Thus, nescience as contended by the Advaitins, is nowhere found as proved so far. So, Brahman does not get associated or affected by this nescience and for It there is no necessity to attain state of soul and see the world. Thus, there is no nescience as such; even if it is real (in the Jīva) its products such as world etc., are also real. So, acceptance of the concept of nescience by the Advaita leads to baseless and impossible conclusions. Thus, the whole tree of the Advaita with nescience as its root, when uprooted, collapses completely.⁴⁶⁹ And there remains nothing as a topic for the Advaita Śāstra.⁴⁷⁰ Now "I am ignorant" and other statements give the sense that nescience is present in soul since he

has such experience. How can it be then Brahmāśrita? For Pramāṇa (valid means) is somewhere and Prameya or an object of knowledge is elsewhere. Pramāṇa is the experience of soul and how can Brahman be an object of knowledge of this? And even by the fact of Aikya (identity) in Brahman and Jīva, nescience cannot be attributed to Brahman. If attributed, then there will be the defect of Anyonyāśraya (mutual dependence). When identity is proved, nescience as Brahmāśrita is proved and when nescience as Brahmāśrita is proved then the identity is proved. Thus, there is Anyonyāśraya-doṣa.⁴⁷¹ So nescience is impossible in Brahman. The Bhagavadgītā⁴⁷² clearly shows that the Lord is Sarvajña or Omniscient and Arjuna is Alpaज्ञा or knowing little. And these two qualities are mutually contradictory. And by this statement, it is evident that the Lord has the perception of His Sarvajnatva omniscience for ever. So, nescience seen in the soul cannot be associated with Brahman. Thus, nescience is also not approved of by Śruti, Smṛti etc.

Now, even the Jīva does not become the locus of nescience. If it is to be the locus of nescience, then it would be earlier to nescience. And if nescience is proved, then the Jīva is proved, and if Jīva is proved then only it can be a locus of nescience. If it is contended that Brahman, owing to Ajnāna, attains Jīvabhāva, then the Jīva has to be admitted as distinct

since beginningless^{472A} and by this Bheda-difference becomes evident. So to avoid this, the Advaitins have to declare that Jīva is Ajñānakalpita. So, when it is Ajñānakalpita, then also there is the defect of mutual dependence.⁴⁷³ And, this defect of mutual dependence is more severe, than the defect of endless regression (Anavasthā). Because, in Anavasthā (as in seed and sprout), the relation of mutual cause cannot be decided and it is not deformed and moreover, it does not create any Ayathārthajñāna (the tree is not born of the seed of the same tree). Whereas in mutual dependence, the state of cause and effect is defective. So nescience is not a Viśaya or object at all. Brahman is not Āśraya or locus of this nescience (of superimposed nature). If it is admitted that nescience present in soul is also there in Brahman, then Brahman Itself owing to Ajñāna should attain Jīvabhāva. By this knowledge of identity, experience of a Jīva should also be seen in all, i.e., nescience of one soul should be in all and experience of one soul must be there in all. To avoid this crisis, if Vyāvahārikabheda (empirical difference) is allowed to flourish, then the experience as "I am ignorant" does not prove nescience in Brahman.

So Jīva is ignorant, he is not the Lord and creator of the world. He, who is the Lord and creator, has no ignorance. The association of Bhrama (illusion) of nescience is impossible

in Brahman.⁴⁷⁴ In Śrutis also, it is clearly stated that, soul is associated with Ajñāna since eternity and this Ajñāna is of Abhāvarūpa (negative) and Bhāvarūpa⁴⁷⁵ (positive) /as it veils the understanding of the nature of knowledge, bliss etc. There is no Ajñāna in the sense of 'self,' but only in respect of the content of knowledge, bliss etc., of 'self.' So in "I am ignorant" Ajñāna is of Abhāvarūpa. Otherwise, the Samsāra (with Bhāvarūpājñāna) would have to be declared as Mokṣa. If there is realisation of the pleasure of self, then that state is called Mukti.⁴⁷⁶ And there is no rule as such, that without the knowledge of the Svarūpasukha (Bhāva), there cannot be knowledge of its Abhāva as there is no knowledge of the objects without the light. Because as, for the cognition (perception) of darkness, light is not required. So also for knowledge of Abhāva, knowledge of Svarūpasukha (Bhāva) is not necessarily required. So just giving up of the rigidity of the rule as knowledge is ever dependent on an object, it is to be accepted that Svarūpa knowledge is common and general and knowledge of its qualities such as bliss etc., are particular and peculiar. So "I am ignorant" means, the sense of I (self) is general and common and ignorant means Abhāvarūpājñāna of the qualities of self (Avacchedaka).⁴⁷⁷ Thus, in this context, the problem is whether an object of which Ajñāna is talked of, is known or not. For this the Advaitins have no solution. But in the Dvaita, the solution

is shown as above (with the help of the Sāmānya and Viśeṣa).

Without the distinction of Sāmānya and Viśeṣa if Jñānābhāva (absence of knowledge) is meant as Atyantābhāva (total non-existence) then the Atyantābhāva is Śūnya and its knowledge would become absolutely real as Brahman. (It is as good as saying the Śūnya is also real). Because knowledge of Pratiyogin of Atyantābhāva is real as Brahman. So, the Śūnya (a Pratiyogin of Atyantābhāva) should also be real.⁴⁷⁸

Then, if Jñāna of Jñānābhāva is not accepted, it is as good as negating the Jñāna itself, which is impossible as a blind by birth cannot negate the presence of variegated and colourful earth. There is nothing which is absolutely unknown since there is no evidence. (It means, everything including Jñānābhāva, is cognized in the form of knowledge). So, Jñāna of Jñānābhāva is to be accepted.⁴⁷⁹ As nescience is accepted, likewise let absence of knowledge also be accepted in the form of knowledge. Thus, there are two aspects (Ajñāna and Jñānābhāva) to be put on. May be Bhāva-rūpājñāna or Abhāvarūpājñāna, there is no so much distinction since Ajñātatva is common to both. If Bhāvarūpājñāna is accepted, as it is a partial view that causes the loss of the Advaita. According to the Dvaita view, there is no

Abhāva of Jñānāsāmānya⁴⁸⁰ since Sākṣijñāna is eternal one. And so far as Abhāva is concerned, it is there in the Viśeṣajñāna of the Jīvas. But it is not there in Brahman, since He is Sarvajña. So in the experience of Jīva as "I am ignorant" the Ajñāna is of Abhāvarūpa of Viśeṣajñāna. So as to say it does not mean that Jīva has no Sāmānyajñāna of Brahman, but he lacks Viśeṣajñāna which is Abhāvarūpa.

If some one says that he does not understand Brahman, it means he has no direct cognition of Brahman through eye: (He lacks Viśeṣajñāna of Brahman or lacks Śāstrajñāna pertaining to Brahman) but he may be having Sāmānyajñāna.^{480A} The Ajñāna does not mean total negation of Jñāna but only absence of Viśeṣajñāna. So the statement "I am ignorant" does not negate Parokṣajñāna gained by the study of Śāstras, but it negates only the Aparokṣajñāna (direct cognition) of Brahman. Here the same is applied to the Advaitins, because the Bhāvarūpajñāna although conceals the nature of Brahman (Brahmaparokṣa) it does not negate the Jñāna gained by the Śāstras. The Advaitins contend that they do not understand It (Brahman) even after gaining Its knowledge by the Śāstras.^{480B}

In the Dvaita, there is no impossibility of cognition (Jñāna) of Ajñāna (Jñānābhāva).⁴⁸¹ According to the Advaita, Brahmajñāna is not competent to remove Ajñāna but it is the

Manovṛttijnāna, that removes the Ajnāna. But this view is not tenable since it is as good as saying that a king, impossible to be killed by the sharp weapons of his enemies, is slain by the sword of his own at home. The Vṛttijnāna is originated from Avidyā (Ajnāna). How can this Vṛttijnāna remove the Ajnāna which cannot be removed by Brahmajñāna? (knowledge of Brahman or absolute knowledge)? So the view of the Advaitins is contradictory to the Śruti and reason as well. And Brahmajñāna is Ajāda (sentient) and Vṛttijnāna is Jāda (insentient). So how can this Vṛttijnāna which is insentient, remove the nescience? One Jāda cannot kill another Jāda as it is originated from that. It is impossible.⁴⁸² Really speaking, the very contention as Vṛttijnāna originates from insentient Ajnāna (nescience) is unsound. The mind (Vṛttijnāna) only when having association of the Svarūpajñāna, becomes capable to cognize the objects. So how then does the mind (Vṛttijnāna) become competent to remove nescience without Svarūpajñāna? For the removal of nescience, connection of Svarūpajñāna is necessary. Otherwise, neither can it (Manovṛttijnāna) cognize the objects nor can it remove the nescience since it is insentient. Only with the help of Cetanaśakti of Svarūpajñāna, the two above mentioned capacities are seen in Vṛttijnāna.⁴⁸³ So the nescience stands undestroyed.

Thus, having disregarded the nescience, Vādirāja takes up

the Bhrama (illusion) of the Advaitins for refutation. This illusion is also a product of nescience. If it is said that Brahman cognizes the Siddhajagat, then it is not the Bhramā. And if at all it (Jagat) becomes the product (Kalpita) of illusion to which nescience is the cause, then it (Jagat) would be eternal (Sarvakālikanītya) being Brahmakalpita. As long as the world is there, nescience is also there and eternal Brahman is also there. And as Brahman and nescience are eternal, Brahman would have the cognition of the world for ever. Because as long as nescience is there, illusion is also there, and Jagat a product (Kalpita) of that nescience is cognized without destruction (Pralaya) since the power of cognition of Brahman is eternal and indestructible. Thus, illusion is also Nītya. The Adṛṣṭa, Kāla etc., cannot be treated as the cause of Pralaya, since they are also products of Bhrama.⁴⁸⁴ The Advaitins quoting the Śruti passage- "Māyīnantu mahēśvaram" contend that Māyā is in Brahman. But here the term Māyā means Prākṛti (primal matter). So Māyīn does not give the sense of Brahman having Māyā. The term Māyīn does not attribute Māyā to Brahman. Brahman does not get bound by Māyā like the term Cakṛin, referring to a potter, does not make him get bound by the wheel. As a potter makes use of the wheel in manufacturing the pots and the like, Brahman also makes use of Māyā in creating this world. As the wheel is under the control of the potter, the

Māyā is also under the control of Brahman. So Mayin means He, with Māyā under His control.⁴⁸⁵ Brahman, although Mayin is Māyādūra like a king, although in forest is called Dhanin. How can Brahman get affected by Māyā (Ajñāna) when He is declared as Sarvajña? He, who is Omniscient has no Ajñāna. Brahman is Sarvajña in the sense, He is an embodiment of eternal power of cognition and cognizes Himself and the whole world. So attributing nescience to Omniscient is as good as saying that a mother is a barren woman, which is self-contradictory.⁴⁸⁶ The Śruti proclaims that Brahman is Asaṅga (having no association of Ajñāna as such).^{486A} And it cannot be argued that, it is only by means of Ajñāna, that Brahman gains the knowledge of the world (contact of the world) and without Ajñāna His Sarvajñatva is no more. Because, Ajñāna need not play the role of conductor since Brahmanetana is all pervasive and need not be helped by any means. And very naturally Brahman has the contact with all the objects. The Advaitins explain the term Asaṅga as Brahman, in its nature, is devoid of any contact.^{486B} In the Dvaita view, Asaṅga means Brahman, not affected by the association of the world. Really speaking, the Advaitins cannot explain the term since, in their view, Brahman is associated with nescience always. But in the Dvaita, Brahman is Asaṅga in the sense that He is all pervasive which means although having associated with the world, He is disassociated in the sense He does not get affected by that association.⁴⁸⁷ So the very

Śruti passage Asaṅga wards off even the association of Ajñāna in Brahman. But it does not rule out the association or the contact of other things other than the Ajñāna. Because, Asaṅga-Śruti not merely discard the defect of Ajñāna but discards other defects (demerits) also. Otherwise, this Śruti would oppose other Śruti passages such as Niranisto niravadhyah.^{487A} So the Asaṅga-Śruti negates the association of defective things such as Ajñāna and the like, and it does not negate the association of meritorious and auspicious qualities. The Asaṅga-Śruti, admitting meritorious and auspicious qualities in Brahman such as Sarveśvaratva, Sarvavyāpitva, Sarvakartṛtva etc., does not admit creation of defective world. It means, because, Lord Brahman is Sarvakartā. He does not create any illusory world, but creates a real world. And by this very creation, He is not affected by any Dosa. Thus, the term Asaṅga gives the sense of the absence of the contact of demerits or defects. The creation of the world does not make Him to be defective, whereas it proves His Sarvajñatva, Sarvakartṛtva, Sarvavyāpitva etc. So, this Śruti describes that Brahman has the association of the Prakṛti (primal-matter) and at the same time it negates the association of the defects such as Karman, Ajñāna, Duhkha etc. And the Śruti-Niranisto niravadhyah does not negate the association of meritorious qualities, but negates the association of demerits. The Asaṅgaśruti also suggests that Brahman

nescience are two different, separate, distinct, opposite and contradictory aspects. Therefore, Madhva has stated in his Upādhikhaṇḍana, that Ajñāna can never be attributed to Brahman who is Omniscient (Akḥilasamvetr).⁴⁹¹ Now it cannot be said that let there be Ajñāna in the presence of Jñāna. Because, then the prefix a (giving the sense of negation) becomes futile, or else, Ajñāna should mean the knowledge of Brahman since a denotes Lord Viṣṇu. So His knowledge is Ajñāna.^{491A} And Brahman has no Vṛttiñāna (since He has no mind which is Prākṛta). So there is no question of getting affected His Svarūpañāna as shown above and also Mānasikañāna since there is no material mind. Thus there is no nescience in Brahman.⁴⁹² The world, including mind is the product of nescience. Before creation there was no nescience since there was no world as such. How can then the forming or fashioning of these be possible? So there is neither nescience nor illusion in Brahman. When it is proved that Brahman has no Mānasikañāna (Vṛttiñāna) how then its nescience (if taken for granted) be removed? Because, in the Advaita, Ajñāna is to be removed by Vṛttiñāna. And it is foolish to say that nescience of Brahman would be removed by Vṛttiñāna of the Jīvas forming in future. Because, nescience of one cannot be removed by the Vṛttiñāna of another. And if the Advaitins say that this is possible because of the identity of Brahman and embodied soul, then as shown earlier, there would be

Anyonyāśraya (if there is nescience in Brahman there is identity and if there is identity there can be nescience in Brahman). It also cannot be said that it is possible as Brahman attains the Jīvabhāva through Its nescience because it amounts to saying that nescience is there along with Jñāna (true knowledge) which is a self-contradiction. Now it is proved that Vṛttijñāna of soul cannot remove the nescience of Brahman. As Brahman is veiled (or concealed) by nescience, there is no chance for soul to gain true knowledge since he is identical with Brahman in the Advaita.⁴⁹³ Let the Vṛttijñāna, a product of nescience, destroy not only the nescience (even if taken for granted) but also true knowledge since it is understood that it is present always with Ajñāna in Brahman and both of them are not contradictory, as Ajñāna is not going to be destroyed by Jñāna. This view becomes opposed to the Śruti passage- Dr̥ṣṭvaiva taṁ mucyate^{493A} (Realising It one gets liberated), because, according to this view neither Samsāra nor Ajñāna can be destroyed. Further, it is to be accepted that nescience has only resisting power towards the origin of true knowledge. Otherwise, the Śruti-passages relating to the destruction of Ajñāna by Jñāna become futile.

Now this nescience cannot be destroyed by Mānasa-jñāna. Because, Mānasa-jñāna related to Brahman, is insentient according

to the Advaita. The Acit element of this Jñāna is not capable to destroy the Ajñāna. And if the Cit element is regarded as competent as it is the very nature of Brahman, then there is no scope for Ajñāna to be there in Brahman. So the Bhāvarūpājñāna which is Nitya as contended by the Advaitins, is not at all there in the Lord.

AJÑĀNA IS NOT VISAYĀŚRITA

Some of the Advaitins contend that Ajñāna is Viṣayāśrita.⁴⁹⁴ According to this view, Viṣaya becomes the locus of Ajñāna. It is because of the concealment by the Ajñāna, the Śukti cannot be comprehended as it is. It is because of Ajñāna only, the Śukti is mistaken for Rajata. Therefore, it is said that the Ajñāna is Viṣayāśrita. But this view does not stand any test; since, when the Ajñāna of that object (Śukti) is removed by the Vṛttijñāna of one beholder, then the object, as it is, should become exposed to one and all. Because the Vṛttijñāna has already removed the Ajñāna covering that object. But practically, it never happens.⁴⁹⁵ When some light is taken into a room, it removes the darkness therein and makes all the objects therein visible to one and all. But in the case of Ajñāna, which is believed to be Viṣayāśrita, it does not happen. Even by the Vṛttijñāna of one, when the Ajñāna, which is the Āvaraka of the object is removed, it does not become visible as it is to one and all. So it is clear that the Ajñāna

is not Viṣayāśrita. If another concealment is to be accepted (Ajñānāntarāvarana), then that object becomes invisible to one and all including him, who, at first attempt, had seen the object.⁴⁹⁶ If separate Ajñānas, concealing the same object, according to a number of Jīvas, are to be regarded, then that leads to the concept of infinite number of different Ajñānas. So the view, that the Ajñāna is Viṣayāśrita, is not tenable.⁴⁹⁷

Thus, it is clear from this, that neither Brahman nor individual soul and nor even Viṣaya can be the Āśraya of Ajñāna.

AJÑĀNA^{497A} IS JĪVĀŚRITA

According to the Dvaita view, the embodied soul is the locus of Ajñāna. The Ajñāna (wrong knowledge), coming in the way of true knowledge is found in the soul. And the souls alone, and not insentient things, are called Tāmasas (possessing Ajñāna).⁴⁹⁸ He, whose Ajñāna (wrong knowledge) gets removed, is capable to have the knowledge of objects. And like the variegated defects of sight in different persons, the veil of Ajñāna (wrong knowledge) is also distinctly different from man to man. Generally, the light and darkness appear to be resorted to objects. Really speaking, objects resort to light and darkness. One becomes the Nāśaka (destroyer) and another Nāśya (destroyed) as light enters in the place

of darkness and removes it; in the same way, Jñāna and Ajñāna are Nāśaka and Nāśya (relation of Nāśyānāśaka). By this very fact, it can be known that both Jñānaajñāna are there in the soul. As true knowledge is there in Puruṣa, in the same way, the nescience to be destroyed by that true knowledge, must also be there in the same Puruṣa. Then only the destruction of his nescience (wrong knowledge) is possible. But in Brahman, there cannot be any nescience (wrong knowledge). Since He is an embodiment of unlimited pure knowledge.⁴⁹⁹ Thus, Jñānaajñāna being present in the Jīva the Jñāna becomes the cause of Vastujñāna and wrong knowledge of that like an eye-disease, causing veil to objects, becomes the cause of wrong knowledge. The role of wrong knowledge in Puruṣa is also the same. As the Jñāna is there in the knowing Jīva, the Ajñāna is also there in the Jīva.⁵⁰⁰

The Advaitins' stand is that to gain the knowledge of objects, our mind moves out of the body through eyes (senses) towards objects (Āśraya of Ajñāna).^{500A} But this view is wrong. Because the experience of the knowledge of objects etc., is like the experience of pleasure and displeasure. As the experience takes inside,⁵⁰¹ knowledge of objects cannot take place outside. Otherwise, there cannot be experience of that. The sense-organs such as the eye, ear, although tracing outward, originate knowledge inside; whereas mind, not tracing

outward, need not move out of the body towards objects. The moving of the mind from the body is seen when the soul departs from the body. The mind is called Antahkarana - inner sense - organ. So it should always be there inside and accomplish its work.⁵⁰² As Jñāna is Antahkaranagata, Ajñāna is also Antahkaranagata. So the destroyer and destroyed should be at the same place. And moreover the true knowledge of one man does not destroy the wrong knowledge of another. By this very fact also, it is clear that Jñāna and Ajñāna are of Ekāśraya (having one and the same as substratum). The experience of Sāksin is also the same. The experience as - 'I know' and the experience - 'I know not' are also cognized by the Sāksin.⁵⁰³ The Jñāna as 'I am ignorant' proves the Ajñāna of the Jīva. The Vedic statement corroborates the same point as Māyā (Avidyā-Ajñāna) is there in the Jīva since eternity.⁵⁰⁴ But, it cannot be said that by the fact of identity (Aikya) of Jīva and Brahman, Ajñāna can get transferred to Brahman. Because, Pramāṛtva (knowability) is there in the Jīva and Pramatā (Jñātr) (knower) is soul only. So the Pramāṛtva of Jīva cannot be attributed to Brahman as there is difference in Kartr, Karma and Bhava according to the Advaita.^{504A} When Aikya itself is untenable and illogical as shown earlier, it is foolish to attribute Pramāṛtva of Jīva to Brahman.⁵⁰⁵ The inference also favours the view that wrong knowledge is in the soul since the Āśraya

(locus) of this is same as that of Jñāna (true knowledge) like the pleasure and displeasure found in the same person.⁵⁰⁶

The Advaitins hold that Ajñāna is the Upādānakāraṇa (material cause) for the creation of this world.^{506A} So Ajñāna is there in Brahman. But this view is wrong. The primal matter (Mūlaprakṛti) at creation and the mud and the like in subsequent creations is the material cause (Upādānakāraṇa). So the nescience is not required for creation of this world. Even if it is taken for granted that nescience is there in Brahman, Brahman is the Lord, the controller of that like a cowherd who is called the lord of cows (Gomān). It means, He being the Lord of that, never gets affected.⁵⁰⁷ The Jīva, since sleeping with Māyā (Ajñāna-affected), cannot have the experience of his own bliss. When this Māyā (Ajñāna-wrong knowledge) is removed, he will experience his own bliss. Hence Ajñāna is Jīvaśrita.⁵⁰⁸ This Māyā, which is real, conceals only the blissful nature of soul and not the element of the cognition 'I'. The wrong knowledge does not affect the 'I' element. The Māyā (Ajñāna) of this kind is real, an element of Prakṛti, and seen in Jīvas.⁵⁰⁹ The wrong knowledge which is Anādi in souls is of two kinds. One Jīvacchāḍaka that veils the very nature of the soul like the cataract of an eye and another is Paramācchāḍaka, like a curtain, that makes the very nature of Brahman unknown

to the soul. Thus two-folded Ajñāna (Māyā) is there in the Jīva. The Lord, not having any of these, removes away the same. (He is the destroyer of these two).⁵¹⁰ If He is not away from or free from two types of wrong knowledge, how can He then dispel the wrong knowledge of others like a king being himself confined or arrested cannot help others to get released.⁵¹¹ Those, who attribute Māyā to the Lord, should be questioned as to whether Māyā causes delusion to the Lord or not? If it does not create delusion then let it be in the Lord as a special power. Then it proves that the Lord, being unaffected and undeluded, makes the Jīvas deluded. The Bhāgavata⁵¹² passage discards the possibility of the presence of Ajñāna in Brahman. It is only a fool or ignorant, who, with a view to hide his demerits, attributes the same to the others. In the same way, he attributes Ajñāna, possibly present in the Jīva, to the Lord with a view to ward off the inferiority complex.⁵¹³ Thus, Ajñāna, may be in any form, can never be attributed to the Lord; whereas it can be attributed to the Jīva since the Jīva is the locus of the Ajñāna.

ONE AND THE SAME CAN BE THE SUBJECT AND THE OBJECT

The Advaitins contend that one and the same cannot be the subject and the object for one and the same action, viz., knowing. Regarding this, they say that Lord cannot realise

himself or know Himself. But the statements such as "I know not myself", "I know myself" clearly show that one and the same can be the subject and the object for the same action of knowing. This cannot be rejected since it is universally accepted.⁵¹⁴ The contention of the Advaitins seems to be based upon the definition of Karma Mīmāṃsakas.^{514A} According to them, Karma or the object is that where the fruit of the action such as movement (knowing) is seen. According to this, one and the same cannot be the subject and the object for the same action. But, this definition has no universal applicability. It may not be true in the case of experiences. So some other definition has to be stated.⁵¹⁵

By quoting the definition of Karma of Mīmāṃsakas the Advaitins slip into self-contradiction.^{515A} Because, disregarding the same definition, the Advaita superimposes the world on Brahman - with the view that the subject-object relation (Jñāna-Jñeyarūpa-relation) cannot be applied and attributed to Brahman. If it is attributed, like Brahman, the world will also become real. Hence, the Advaita does not admit this relation in the case of Brahman. But here, to reject the identity (sameness) in the subject, the object and the action, the Advaita has relied upon the same definition of Karma given by the Bhāṭṭas. Thus, there is self-

contradiction in this approach. Moreover, the definition itself of the Bhāṭṭas is defective. Because, the fruit or aim or result of action can never be the object whereas it is something pertaining to the subject only. E.g. he, who wants to go to a village, walks a certain distance. The mere stepping into that village is not the fruit or the aim, but it is something more that pertains to the subject who walks. Otherwise Karmatva is to be attributed to the entire portion of the land touched by his feet on the way. But, this is not the case. Just Karmatva cannot be attributed to the entire portion of the land, in the same way, Karmatva cannot be attributed to the last portion or last stepped or touched land. Thus the application of definition is affected, with two demerits, too wide and too narrow (two logical defects).⁵¹⁶ Therefore, the relation of the subject and the object must be subjective - a type of subjective or intrinsic relation. Since it is evident that when one knows an object (pot), the fruit of that knowledge is to describe it in terms or words. And this is seen in the knower and not in the known (pot). Hence, the fruit of the action is related to the subject and not to the object. So the definition of the Bhāṭṭas is defective. According to this definition, one and the same cannot be the subject and the object. Whereas self-objectivity of knowledge (Svarūpa) is thus evident. So there is identity in the subject, the object and the action.⁵¹⁷

The characteristic of the object of the knowledge is not found in the object (pot) but seen in the knower, since the fruit of the knowing action is a peculiar subjective relation which is in the form of usage or articulation. The Jñātr̥tva is not there in the object but in the knowledge of the knower. If it is in the object, then Jñātr̥tva cannot be seen pertaining to the realisation of past and future things. So Jñātr̥tva is there in the knowledge⁵¹⁸ of the knower. Therefore, there is sameness in these.

The Svarūpañāna of the Lord realises the nature of the Lord. The Bhagavadgītā corroborates this view. The Gītā^{518A} declares, the Kart̥r̥tva, Karmatva and Kriyātva to the Lord. The difference is seen between Jñāna (which is intrinsic) and Jñeya (the object of knowledge - extrinsic) in respect of the knowledge of the Jada. But when Jñānat̥va and Jñeyatva are attributed to the same Jñānarūpa Ātman there is no difference and there the same becomes the subject, the means and also the object. Hence, there is no universal rule that there is difference between Jñāna and Jñeya. So there is no any invalidity in saying that Ātman realises himself.⁵¹⁹ Jñānat̥va and Jñeyatva are possible to be seen in respect of an object of Jñānarūpa such as Ātman.

Explicitly, there appears difference among Brahman, His knowledge and His action so far as usage is concerned. But, they are not different. Identity among them is possible with the help of the concept Viśeṣa.^{519A} The Viśeṣa is the philosophical concept expounded by Madhva that proves ultimate identity between the Lord, His knowledge, His action and the like and at the same time plays the role of representative of difference so as to help the usage such as 'Lord's knowledge,' 'Lord's action' and so on. So, there is no impropriety in saying that one and the same can be the subject and the object for the same action of knowing. To the same Ātman (the Lord) Kartṛtva is attributed in the process of knowing and Karmatva too as He being the object of knowing.⁵²⁰ The statements 'Māmaham na vijānāmi', 'Māmaham jānāmi' etc., clearly show the sameness in the subject, the object and the action of knowing.

Now, Vādirāja point out the demerits of the definition of Svapraśaṣatva of the Advaitins.^{520A} First of all, the sense, conveyed by the definition, is contradictory to common understanding. Because, the Advaitins simply say that Brahman is Svapraśaṣa but declare that It has no Svarūpajñāna and attribute Asarvajñatva to It. So Svapraśaṣatva becomes meaningless. According to the Advaita, Brahman is not merely Asarvajña. But it also attributes Jadatva, a defect also.

The state of Brahman of the Advaitins, is worse than that of a blind man. Because, a blind man, though not knowing others, knows at least himself. Whereas, the Advaita-Brahman knows not even Itself.⁵²¹ If Svarūpasukha is not experienced, then it is useless. According to the above definition, Brahman has no experience of bliss, although having Sukhasvarūpa. If, like Svarūpasukha, it is contended that Svarūpajñāna is also not an object of Itself then what is the use of the Jñāna that cannot be made use of. The knowledge, that cognises an object, is useful for Vyavahāra. But the knowledge of Brahman, as it does not cognise Itself, is useless. When this is the state of Brahman, then nobody will aspire to attain and realise such Brahman.⁵²² If it is said that Brahman is Sukharūpa, but It has no experience of that Sukha then how can It be declared as eternally liberated one, since in the state of liberation, one has to experience the bliss bereft of sorrow of any kind. So a liberated one, although having Jñānarūpa and Sukharūpa cannot gain any fruit experience of Jñāna and Sukha. If bliss is not experienced in the liberated state, the liberation will cease to be a Puruṣārtha. The liberation is nothing but a state of realization of intrinsic bliss and knowledge.^{522A} If there is no experience of bliss and knowledge in liberation, then it will not be coveted by any one and also it cannot be called as the final goal to be

achieved by an embodied soul.⁵²³ Therefore, to prove Puru-
ṣārthatva to liberation, Brahman should be described as
Svaprakāśa as one who realizes Svarūpajñāna and Svarūpasukha
of Himself. That means that these are the subjective
objects of His realization. The derivative meaning of that
term also corroborates this view, as Svaprakāśa is one who
knows his nature (himself).⁵²⁴ The Gītā statement also
states the same that the Lord knows Himself through His
knowledge.^{524A}

Therefore, even if one and the same becomes the
subject and the object or even if Kartṛtva, Karmatva and
Kriyātva are seen in one, there is no harm. But, the
Advaitins' idea of Svaprakāśa as one that does not know
himself (itself) is untenable.

REFUTATION OF ŚABALATVA ATTRIBUTED TO VIṢṆU BY OTHERS

The Advaitins attribute Śabalatva to Brahman.^{524B} The
Brahman when affected or qualified by Avidyā becomes Śabala
and thus is called Īśvara. And this Śabala-Brahman plays
the role of the world-creator and the like. But this view
is wrong. There cannot be such classification as 'Para-
Brahman' and 'Apara Brahman.' Therefore, Vādirāja says that
He, who is eternally Śuddha cannot become Śabala. Since
the Lord is eternally liberated one, He cannot be confined

to any bondage or He cannot get affected by any Dōṣa such as Avidyā and the like. Brahman is the Supreme Lord. He is eternally Śuddha and Mukta. Nityamuktatva and Nitya-śuddhatva are not present in Samsāra. Nityaśuddhatva means absence of any Dōṣa such as Ajñāna, Bhrama for ever. In the state of liberation, one is free from such Dōṣas.⁵²⁵

According to the Advaita, Brahman gets affected with Avidyādoṣa and since beginningless it has been assuming the Jīva-state or form.^{525A} If this is the position, how can there be Śuddhatva in Brahman who is stained with the dirt of transmigration. In the Advaita, there is no possibility of a Śuddha-Brahman. Further, it cannot be argued that part of it gets stained with Ajñānadoṣa. It is to be stated that the whole gets affected like an injury in the part of the body that causes pain to that man as a whole.⁵²⁶ Now it can also not be argued that Bandha is not real and hence let Brahman be both Baddha and Śuddha. Because, the Śruti-passage does not admit this.⁵²⁷ In the Śruti, both the Jīva and the Lord are described as two birds. They are present in the same tree in the form of body always.⁵²⁸ The Lord, although present with the Jīva, does not undergo any changes or does not get affected like the Jīva. The terms 'Anāśnan' and 'Abhicaṅkaśīti' do not admit any Dōṣas in Brahman. So He is eternally Śuddha. So it cannot be

stated that let Brahman be both Baddha and Mukta as Bandha is unreal. And moreover, unreal Bandha cannot attribute Baddhatva to Brahman. So it is inevitable on the part of the Advaitins either to give up Śuddhatva (Muktatva) or Baddhatva (Śabalatva) of Brahman. The Śruti-passage, cited above, does not permit both together in Brahman. Both are contradictory to each other. So it is evident that Brahman, being eternally Śuddha and Mukta, never gets affected by Avidyā and the like and never becomes Śabala as the Advaitins contend. 529

Now it may be argued that let the Bandha, though unreal but on account of it being Vyāvahārika, be attributed to Brahman. But this view is untenable because whatever is Vyāvahārika, is not there in reality. As Śukti remains as it is (unchangeable), Brahman also is of same type (unchangeable) for ever. And moreover, the Baddhatva and the Muktatva cannot be present jointly in one. The Baddha is different and the Mukta (Nityamukta) is different.⁵³⁰ The Sūtra-Sthityadanābhyām ca, accepted by both also states difference between the Jīva and Brahman. The term Sthiti in the Sūtra suggests the presence of Brahman with the Jīva. The Jīva enjoys or eats the fruit of his deeds. The term Adana suggests the presence of the Jīva enjoying the Karmaphala. Thus, neither Śabalatva can be proved in Brahman nor identity of Jīva with Brahman is possible.

CLARIFICATION OF THE MEANING OF THE BHĀGAVATA VERSE -
"BADDHO MUKTA ITI HYĀKHYĀ GUNATO ME NA VASTUTAH"^{530B}

The Bhāgavata verse, Baddho mukta iti hyākhyā gunato me na vastutah at first reading appears to convey the sense that "I (God) am called bound and released through Guṇas but really speaking I am neither bound nor released." But this is not the intended meaning. Because in the previous verse Lord Kṛṣṇa has said that there are Guṇas, namely, Sattva, Rajas and Tamas. These Guṇas bind the Jīva and not the Lord. By this it is promised that the God is free from these three Guṇas. Bandha is to the Jīva on account of the Guṇas that are under God's control. When the Guṇas are under the control of the Lord, how can they bind Him?⁵³¹ And moreover, latter part of the verse^{531A} also suggests that since Guṇas arise out of Māyā or Prakṛti, God has no Bandha nor Mokṣa. Because, Māyā or Prakṛti is also under the control of the Lord. Therefore, the real meaning of the verse is "The Jīva has Bandha and Mokṣa through the Guṇas - Sattva, Rajas and Tamas that are under My control but not as a part of his very nature; since, Guṇas arise out of Māyā or Prakṛti. I have neither Bandha nor Mokṣa." Because, The very Māyā is under God's control, as in the statement- 'he lives with my amount.' Here 'my amount' means amount under my control. And for livelihood, it is taken by some one else. In the same way, 'Me gunatah' means through Guṇas

that are under my (God's) control. So the Jīva, thus gets bound through these Guṇas and hence is called Baddha. When the same Jīva gets released of these, he is called Mukta.⁵³²

The Advaitins interpret this verse that on account of the association of the Guṇas, Sattva and the like, the God is called Baddha, Mukta and the like and not in reality.^{532A} But this interpretation is not correct since there arises contradiction when compared with previous and latter verses. And moreover, according to the Advaita, Bandha may be supposed to be Mithyā but Mokṣa can never be said to be Mithyā. Therefore, Vādirāja's interpretation wherein both these Baddhatva and Muktatva are attributed to the Jīva, is correct and appropriate. Further, as long as there is Bandha, there is no Mokṣa, when once Mokṣa is attained there cannot be any Bandha.⁵³³

In the latter part of the verse, Lord Kṛṣṇa negates the Bandha to Himself since He is devoid of or is not influenced by the Guṇas such as Sattva, Rajas and Tamas that originate from Māyā. The God is Aprākṛta and hence, there is no possibility of the effect of Prākṛtaguṇas that cause Bandha. Māyā cannot be there in the Lord because He is the destroyer of that. Therefore, the Guṇas, arising from Māyā, cannot affect the Lord. So, when the Guṇas are not there, there is

no Bandha. When there is no Bandha, the question of attainment of the Mokṣa does not arise. Hence, the Lord is Nitya-mukta whereas the Jīva is Baddha and also subsequently Mukta.⁵³⁴

The Jīva is of different nature from that of the God. Therefore, he is called Bhinnātmā. In the statement Sayujau sakhāyau,^{534A} among the two birds of the Jīva and the God, Guṇabandha is there to the Jīva and release of the Bandha is also there to the Jīva. The beginningless Ajñāna is the cause of Guṇabandha. When the Ajñāna is destroyed, the Guṇabandha is released. Then the Jīva attains the state of liberation. Thus, the Bandha and the Mokṣa pertain to the Jīva and not to the God.⁵³⁵

ANOTHER INTERPRETATION OF THE VERSE 'BADDHO MUKTA...'

Vādirāja interprets the same verse Baddho mukta... in a different manner.

Baddhatva, Muktatva and the like are attributed by the scholars to the God since He controls them. Really speaking, He is completely free from Bandha and Mokṣa. The Brahmasūtra^{535A} also justifies the same; that, which is regulated or controlled by a person, is normally attributed to him as in the slogan- 'King is victorious.' Actually, it is the soldiers who are responsible for the victory, but since they and their efforts

are under the control of that sovereign, victory is applied to him.⁵³⁶ The term Baddha is real in the case of the Jīva who is dependent. He is Baddha due to having real Bandha. This clearly states the difference between Baddhajīva, Muktajīva and Nityamukta God.⁵³⁷ As the Lord controls the Māyā, how can there be either Guṇabandha originated from Māyā or destruction of that, in Him.

If the Bandha is imagined as delusion, then the cause to that effect should also be stated. But the Guṇa cannot be treated as its cause. Because, it is the real Guṇa that causes Bandha and not the delusion. Moreover, cognition of Guṇa is not unreal. Therefore, Mithyātva cannot be attributed to Bandha. The Śruti also proves the same.

Moreover, the knowledge originated from the Sattva-guṇa, is taken for granted as real. The gods, sages, full of Sattvaguna, admit that Saṁsāra-bandha is real. It is an object of their direct cognition. So the Bandha cannot be called as unreal.⁵³⁸ In His preaching to Uddhava, God Kṛṣṇa has said that Bandha is due to Avidyā, but it cannot be called Mithyā.⁵³⁹

Vādirāja refers to other verses of the Bhāgavata⁵⁴⁰ and states that even the four-faced Brahmā, who heads the

Jīvas, gets bound by Guna. And he cannot know the Lord completely who is totally free from Gunabandha, who is Supreme and is the Lord of all. All the Jīvas - from the four-faced Brahmā to Sthāvara Jāṅgama (ordinary beings) all are bound by these Guṇas with gradation in content. Being caught hold by the wrong knowledge, (except Rjus)^{540A} they are always engaged in the performance of various Karmas and as a result of that they undergo or attain different births. At the end, even after the attainment of liberation, all the Jīvas remain in the state of dependence. There also, they are bound by Asvātantrīya, Apūrnatā and the like.^{540B} And hence they are called Baddhas both in Saṁsāra state and also in Mukti state.

PURPORT OF DIFFERENT ŚRUTIS AND SMRTIS SHOWN IN THE PADYĀRTHA

Here Vādirāja establishes Lord's Nitya-muktatva asserted by some Śruti passages and Smṛti statements. In the Bhagavad-gītā, it is stated that Karmas do not affect the God since He is completely beyond that. Three Guṇas, namely, Sattva, Rajas and Tamas originate from Prakṛti and they bind the embodied souls in different bodies. So it is clear that the Guṇabaddhatva is to the embodied souls and not to the Lord.⁵⁴¹ Likewise, the Śruti-passages Utamṛtasya^{541A} and the like declare the Nityamuktatva of the Lord. It is also suggested that the Muktas are not Nityamuktas because these Jīvas attain the liberation by the grace of the Lord

and hence even in the Mukti state, they remain dependents on and devotees of the Lord. So the Nityamukta God is the Lord of Muktas. As the Lord is the controller of the embodied souls, He is also the Lord of liberated souls.⁵⁴²

It is accepted that when a Jīva attains the liberation, his Guṇabandha is removed. But there is bondage in the form of Asvātantrya. So the Jīva has either Guṇabandha or Bhakti bandha.⁵⁴³ There is a class of Jīvas who are called Nitya-saṁsārins, since they have the mixed experience of pleasure and pain according to their inner nature. There is difficulty to treat them as Nityabaddhas.⁵⁴⁴ Thus Baddhatva and Muktatva are eternal and real. So, Mithyatva cannot be attributed to these. The two are eternal like Brahman and Mukti.⁵⁴⁵ The bondage of the Jīvas is on account of Guṇas and not as a part of nature. This bondage, although beginningless, is not eternal.

Attributing bondage to the Lord is contradictory to the common understanding also. A fool, if unhappy, attributes unhappiness to others. In the same way, an embodied being attributes his bondage to the Lord.

It cannot be said that the Lord is also bound. If He too becomes subject to bondage, then who would be there to

release the souls from bondage like a man, fallen in the ditch, cannot protect others. Therefore, the God should be declared as Nityamukta; then only He can remove the bondage of bound-souls.⁵⁴⁶ When the Bandha of the soul is removed, the soul will not become similar to the Lord. The identity cannot be established between the God and the Jīva. Because, the God is eternally released and pure where as the soul is then released and purified like a dirty cloth made clean. A released soul may not have birth and death but on this ground he cannot be identified with the God. The Sāyujyamukti, a kind of release^{546A} does not indicate any identity, but it states that the soul without any pain lives with God.

The Advaitins classify Brahman as Parabrahman and Śabalabrahman and attribute Śabalatva to the Brahman. Vādirāja asks: "What is this Śabalatva? Is it Māyā Śabalatva in the form of a Doṣa? Or is it Māyā Śabalatva in the form of Adoṣa? Or is it Śabalatva in the form of meritorious qualities such as Jñāna, Ānanda?" In these options, Vādirāja, discarding the first one, accepts the second and third ones since the two do not superimpose or attribute any demerits (Doṣas) to the Lord.⁵⁴⁷ And it is ascertained that Ajñāna (Māyā) is Jīvāśrita and not Brahmāśrita. Because, Ajñāna is experienced by the Jīva as Ahaṁ ajñāh. So Ajñāna is

found in the Jīva and not in Brahman.⁵⁴⁸

ESTABLISHING MĀYĀDŪRATVA BY THE BHĀGAVATA STATEMENT

In this context, Vādirāja gathering the data from the Bhāgavata,⁵⁴⁹ states that the praise of the Lord (God Kṛṣṇa) recited by the four-faced Brahmā. The praise declares that the Ajñāna, that causes delusion to the embodied souls, is not found in the Lord. He is the Supreme Ātman. He is a treasure of qualities and is the Ādipurusa. He keeps aside the Māyā by the power of His knowledge. He is the Lord of Prakṛti. He is the controller of the entire world. He is Anāśrita (not having resorted to any one). He is glorified as bestower of Dharma, Kāma and Mokṣa to the Jīvas who are deluded by Māyā. Thus the praise establishes Māyādūratva of the Lord.

Vādirāja adduces one more argument that the Vaikunṭha-loka is Aprākṛta. It means Māyā (either Prakṛti or Ajñāna) is not there in the abode of the Lord viz., Vaikunṭha. When the abode of the Lord is Amāyika, then how can its Lord be Māyā-formed? Thus, it is evident that the Lord is Amāyika (absence of Prakṛti, or Māyā).⁵⁵⁰

ESTABLISHING MĀYĀDÜRATVA BY A DIFFERENT INTERPRETATION OF
THE TERM MĀYĀ

The term Māyā occurs in the Śruti and Smṛti passages in the following meanings: (1) God's Desire, (2) God's Power, (3) Goddess Lakṣmī, (4) Jadaprakṛti and (5) Ignorance of the souls.^{550A} The Māyā, referred to in these meanings, is not Mithyā. So Māyā is inexplicable according to the Advaitins, is nowhere found. The Māyā, although being declared as Anirvacanīya- inexplicable by the Advaitins, it is not Anirvacanīya. It is Anirvacanīya only in terms and not in sense. It is not totally Asat. The Advaitins' interpretation and explanation of Māyā and its product Śabalatva look baseless and are totally disregarded by scholars. If the Lord, an embodiment of infinite auspicious qualities is declared as Śabala, Aśuddha and so on, it is a defect or bad remark as in the case of pure cloth when stained with dirt. When He is declared as Śuddha Brahman, an embodiment of unlimited power, beauty, knowledge and the like, then that shows that demerits such as ignorance etc., are not there in the Brahman. Thus, He becomes Pure and not associated with any defects.⁵⁵¹

Now in attributing Śabalatva to the Lord, Ajñāna or nescience is the main cause. This nescience is an aspect whose presence is known temporarily at the time of appearance and not prior to that. And this nescience, it is stated,

becomes the cause of delusion. It is also said that this nescience is removed by the Vṛttijñāna born of the nescience and not by Svarūpajñāna. If Svarūpajñāna is not the destroyer of Ajñāna then the Ajñāna, although destroyed by the Vṛttijñāna, may reappear and cause the delusion as in the case of delusion of the silverness in the conch shell. So it is to be stated that the nescience cannot be destroyed totally since its appearance now and then like the delusion of silverness in the conch shell which proves the absence of liberation or presence of the nescience even after liberation. Both these views suggest that the nescience cannot be destroyed completely.

So it is right and logically reasonable also to state that Ajnana is destroyed by the everlasting and dazzling Svarūpajñāna. By its association only, one's mind gains the cognitive power.⁵⁵² The Svarūpajñāna of the Lord is eternally pure and illuminious and unlimited. Therefore, there is no possibility of the presence of Ajñāna in Him. When Ajñāna is not there, then śabalatva connected to Ajñāna cannot be attributed to Him. Māyām vyudasya citśaktya^{552A} and other Smṛti passages proclaim the eternal śuddhatva and Muktatva of the Lord. So how can there be any defect in Him?⁵⁵³

EXPOSITION OF THE ŚRUTI-PASSAGES 'NISKALAM NISKRIYAM ŚĀNTAM' ETC.

The Advaitins deny Kartṛtva in the Śuddha Brahman^{553A} on the ground that, if Kartṛtva is accepted in Brahman then that would be a defect in the form of a means to possible action of agreeable efforts. It means Kartṛtva is also a cause of Śabalatva. But this view of the Advaitins is untenable. Because, if Kartṛtva is said to be the cause of Śabalatva, then why not Jñāṭṛtva? And moreover, as Kṛtṛtva is denied in Śuddha Brahman, on the same ground Jñāṭṛtva should also be denied, which is undesirable. If Kartṛtva denotes the action of movement etc., Jñāṭṛtva also indicates the action of cognizing the objects. In both, one or other type of action is involved. Further, in general, all the roots give the sense of action one or other. So if Kartṛtva is denied then Jñāṭṛtva be denied.⁵⁵⁴ Śruti passage has no partiality in denying Kartṛtva and in attributing Jñāṭṛtva. Therefore, either both have to be denied or to be admitted.

But really speaking, the Śruti passage, cited above,^{554A} never denies Kartṛtva and the like in Brahman. The Śruti⁵⁵⁵ Parāśya śaktiḥ^{555A} clearly states that Jñāna, Bala and Kriyā of the Lord are all inherent and eternal. If the previous Śruti is understood as denying the Kartṛtva then there would be contradiction between the Śruti-passages of one and the same section. Therefore, it should be known that Niskriyam

Śruti negates the merit and demerit of action in the Lord. It means, the Lord, though engages in the action of creating the world and the like is neither graced with merit nor stained with demerit. In the same way, other Śruti passages are also to be understood. The Śruti- Aśabdamasparśamarūpan^{555B} does not deny the śabda, sparsa and the like completely, but denies Duṣṭaśabda, Duṣṭaśparśa etc. If this is not admitted, then the Niskalam Śruti is to be understood that it does deny Jñātata in Brahman. Therefore, all these are to be understood as the Lord is free from evil-sound, evil-touch, evil-form and the like. If Aśabda Śruti speaks of Him then also He becomes śabdaviśaya, the object of expression. If the Śruti does not speak of Him, then also His śabdaviśayatva is not disregarded. So, in either case, He is not Aśabda not being an object of śabda.⁵⁵⁶ Similarly, if Asparśa is meant as absence of touch, then Avidyā of the Advaitins cannot touch or affect the Brahman.⁵⁵⁷ If the option is given in the case of Avidyā (means Avidyā alone touches Brahman and not the other), then also expressive and primary meaning of the term Asparśam is supposed to be given up. So with implication, agreeable meaning is to be understood. In that case, the term Asparśa could be meant as not having Prākṛtasparśa - effect of influence of Prākṛtasparśa. The Śruti- Aśarīrin suggests that the Lord has no Prākṛta or material body since He has Aprākṛtaśarīta.^{557A} Further,

the Śruti describes God as Rukmavarṇa. This shows that He has Rūpa or form. It means He has no Prākṛtarūpa, but Aprākṛta one.⁵⁵⁸ Moreover, touch and form go together. Therefore, neither of them can be denied. So the Śrutis 'Aśabdam...' etc., deny evil word, evil touch, evil form and the like, and not the meritorious or auspicious words such as Nārāyaṇa, the graceful touch of Goddess Lakṣmī.

ESTABLISHING THE DIVYĀKARA (DIVINE FORM) TO THE LORD BY
ŚRUTI, SMṚTI AND YUKTI

The Śruti- Āditya Varnam tamasaḥ parastat^{558A} declares that the Lord is free from nescience and He is brilliant or illuminating with extra-ordinary unlimited prowess.⁵⁵⁹ Here is the argument wherever there is colour, there is touch and both these are in form. This rule is not merely applicable to the material world of things, but applies also to the non-material domain. The Śruti-Rukmavarṇam tamasaḥ parastāt states that colour, touch, form and the like exist also there in the Aprākṛta place. This can also be proved by the reason Tamasaḥ parastāt which means away from ignorance i.e., Prākṛti.⁵⁶⁰ Therefore, on the basis of the Śruti and Yukti stated therein, the Ākāra of the Lord is described as He has unlimited eyes, arms, legs, faces and the like. It means He is Viśvarūpin. So the Lord's presence in the Prākṛta things, does not become

Prākṛta and also does not get affected. He is eternally Aprākṛta bliss-natured. He has the forms of Sukha, Jñāna and the like and not the forms of Pancabhūtas.⁵⁶¹ Though He shows the single world of things in manifold forms at the same time in different places, He is unaffected with Prākṛta contents. As the Māyā, the causes of material creation, is not heard as related to Him, His form is of knowledge and bliss and is free from Māyā. The form of the Lord is all-pervasive in the same way.⁵⁶²

And the term Kāya, when derivatively explained, conveys the following sense: 'Ka' means Sukharūpa and Aya means Jñānarūpa. So Kāya denotes Sukharūpa and Jñānarūpa of the Lord.^{562A} In the same way, even when the term Śarīra is referred to the Lord, His Sukharūpa remains unharmed. The term Śarīra, when etymologically explained, conveys the following meaning: 'Śa' means happiness, 'Ra' means enjoyment and 'īra' means knowledge.^{562B} Thus, Śarīra means He who experiences and enjoys His own happiness and knowledge. The form of the Lord abounds in happiness from top to bottom. All the limbs are of bliss-natured and are of extra-ordinary prowess.⁵⁶³

Another Śruti ascribes Aśariratva to the Lord. But it does not mean that the very concept of form is negated. It

only denies the presence of the material body, as is in the case of aerial speech, where body is not denied totally but unseen body is accepted and taken into account. Because, without the organ there cannot be the articulation of any speech. In the same way, Aśarīratā with regard to the Lord, stands for Alaukikatā.⁵⁶⁴ If there is Śarīra, there is no need to accept the presence of Duhkha and the like as a rule. Because, the Śarīra of the Lord is entirely different and not a product of matter. For Duhkha and the like, Śarīra is not responsible but the type of food. The Lord has been declared as Niranna in Dvāsuparna Śruti.^{564A} So He has no defects that could originate from the food (of ordinary kind). So whatever may be the objective term, that would never attribute any defects to Brahman. All the terms declare one or the other meritorious and auspicious quality of the Lord.

Now, Vādirāja refutes the view of the Advaitins that there is no Kartṛtva to Cetana of Cit-content.^{564B} If Cetana is declared as not Kartā, then there arises the difficulty. If Kartṛtva is ascribed to the Dehagatacetana, then it appears as if it refers to the both Deha and Cetana. Because, when Kartṛtva is referred to the Viśiṣṭa (Dehin), then Deha and Indriyas are also understood to have Kartṛtva. But really speaking, it does not behave proper to attribute Kartṛtva to the Jada. The Jada by nature itself, is devoid of any

Kartṛtva.⁵⁶⁵ And scholars say that Svatantraḥ kartā^{565A} that means Cetana alone is Kartā since he does different activities with means that are under his control, like the potter who is acclaimed as Kartā or doer.⁵⁶⁶ The potter uses the mud, stick, wheel and the like that are under his control. These are the external instruments for accomplishing the effect viz., pot. The mind, body etc., of the potter are the internal means. So neither the mind nor the body is the Kartā whereas Cetana or soul alone is the Kartā and all others are just related to that. The Māyā of the Advaitins also cannot contribute Kartṛtva because it is also Jada. Moreover, scholars do not agree with the idea that the Kartṛtva is specified or qualified in ordinary case. So Jada is accessory and Cetana alone is Kartā.⁵⁶⁷ Vādirāja says that, the Kartṛtva of the Lord is noticed as qualified. Viśiṣṭa. Because the Lord creates this world with accessories time, Prakṛti, Karma, that are under his control.⁵⁶⁸ And Viśiṣṭa Kartṛtva is possible in the case of the Lord, as this is the very form and not different from Him.

So far as the Lord is concerned, He is Nityamukta. or eternally free. His form (body) is eternally embodied with unlimited auspicious qualities such as power, brilliance of knowledge, bliss beauty etc.⁵⁶⁹ The embodied souls becoming favoured by His grace, get released from the bondage.

In release they always look at the blissful form of Lord Nārāyaṇa. The Śruti Yamaiveśa...^{569A} conveys two things that the Lord removes the obstacle of the Jīvas (Jīvāccādikā) and setting aside the curtain of Paramāccādikā,^{569B} unveils His form to souls who fulfilling the prescribed course of Sādhana, become qualified for liberation. The Śruti also states that both eternally free Lord and the released souls have forms. The term Tanu in Śruti signifies this. The adjective Svām suggests that it is the Svarūpadeha and no else.⁵⁷⁰ If the body of the released souls is considered to be material then the grace of the Lord would have to be treated as futile. The terms Svām Tanūm and Vivṛṇute indicate the nature of beginninglessness and eternality of Svarūpadeha respectively. This also proves that body in release state is other than material; it is non-material. Therefore, scholars, knowing the purport of the scriptures admit and proclaim the body of the released and of the Lord as an embodiment of Cit or spirit, Jñāna and Ānanda (bliss) and not material. The non-material body as described above⁵⁷¹ will not cause rebirth, oldage, disease and the like. So how can there be dirt of any kind to both Mukta and Nityamukta. All the released are devoid of defects. They are pure natured and enjoy desired enjoyments of various kind. So there is no śābalatva in them, both in the released souls and in the Lord.⁵⁷²

Vādirāja, at this point, emphatically denies the possibility of Śabalatva in the Lord. The inherent nature of the Lord is not Śabala but it is Śambala, that means the Lord is the bestower of extra-ordinary treasures to released souls. The Lord of the Advaitins is Śabala and of the Dvaitins is Śambala. Only an Anusvāra is added by which He becomes more powerful and destroys the Śabala Lord. Hence, no Śabalatva can be attributed to Brahman or else. He may also be understood as Śabala since He is bright and lustrous with variegated complexions.⁵⁷³

The form of the Lord is Amāyika and eternal. In this regard Vādirāja quotes the Bhagavadgītā statements.⁵⁷⁴ The Lord is described by Arjuna: He is beginningless. He has no beginning, middle and end. His universal form is so bigger that everything could be visualised. He has unlimited arms, faces, eyes and the like. Arjuna could see this Viśvarūpa, only when he was graced with the divine sight by the Lord. Thus, the form of the Lord is extra-ordinary. Therefore how can it be treated as Māyika^{574A} and material. The Lord has His own unlimited power to assume minute form as well as bigger form.⁵⁷⁵ The form, directly cognised by Arjuna, is unlimited and all-pervasive. So then how can it be formless and associated with Māyā. It cannot be.⁵⁷⁶ Moreover, the devotees who seek refuge in the Lord, get released of Māyā

by Lord's grace, how can there be Māyā in Him? He is eternally free from Māyā.⁵⁷⁷ Further, when qualified soul realizes the God in the cavity of his heart, Māyā gets burnt to ashes like a cloth. Thus, when the very sight or realization of the Lord destroys the Māyā how could God become Māyāmāyā? It can never be. His blissful form is eternally of same nature, and unaffected.⁵⁷⁸

CRITICAL EXPOSITION OF THE PURUṢASŪKTA

The exposition of Puruṣasūkta, given by Vādirāja, tackles the views of the Advaitins. The Advaitins hold that the Lord described in the Puruṣasūkta is Māyāmāyā. He is formless. The world is not different from Him. There is identity of the Lord with the embodied soul and the like. But in this hymn, the Lord Brahman is extolled as having wonderful form with unlimited heads, hands and the like. Thus, the whole hymn describes Brahman as possessing a form. The Puruṣa in this hymn is the same Nārāyaṇa or Viṣṇu and not any ordinary being. It is stated in this hymn that, he, who realizes the God as described in this hymn, attains the liberation.^{578A} If this is the fact, then how can He be the being of any ordinary type?⁵⁷⁹

So the Being described in this hymn, is Lord Viṣṇu who is spiritual, non-material, free from nescience and bestower

of the release which is non-material. If this Being would be of ordinary type, then He cannot grant the spiritual release. So there is no doubt that the Lord of this hymn is Aprākṛta or spiritual.

The Advaitins contend^{579A} that the statements Puruṣa eva idaṁ sarvaṁ etc., in the hymn, give the sense of oneness and claim that there is identity between Brahman and the embodied soul. And the Lord is not different from this world. But this view is not correct. Because, the terms in the hymn are adjectives, that qualify and denote the extraordinary nature of the Lord, and hence they cannot be referred to the embodied souls in any manner. Neither explicitly, nor implicitly, the embodied soul is described here. And moreover the Lord cannot be identical with this world, since He is Ajāda or non-material⁵⁸⁰ and the world is material. And if oneness is traced forcibly then as the world is false in the Advaita Brahman should also have to be declared as false or unreal. The Puruṣasūkta does not convey either the falsity of the world or identity of Brahman and soul. But it establishes the absolute supremacy of the Being (Lord Nārāyaṇa), reality of the world, and distinction of Brahman and soul. It also states that the entire world is under the control of the Lord. And as Lord Puruṣa (Brahman) is eternally real, the world, controlled by Him is also eternally real.

Thus, it can be said that, the Puruṣasūkta is a critical exposition of the second Brahmasūtra- Janmādyasya yataḥ. Hence, the Being of this hymn is the Brahman.⁵⁸¹ And the end of the Puruṣasūkta of the Yajurveda, Śrī and Lakṣmī are described as Lord's wives.^{581A} This also indicates that Puruṣa is Lord Nārāyaṇa.⁵⁸² (He, who knows and realizes the greatness of the Lord Puruṣa, will be favoured by the grace of the Lord, and as a result of that he attains liberation. Hence He is essentially knowable by the seekers of release. Therefore, there is no other Brahman Śabala as such. The term Brahman primarily and absolutely refers to Lord Nārāyaṇa.⁵⁸³ And devoted service of this Lord Nārāyaṇa, who is an embodiment of innumerable auspicious qualities, who has spiritual form is the only means of attaining final release. The service of other gods will not lead to that release.⁵⁸⁴

III. BHEDASOURABHA

INTERPRETATION OF THE TERM ANANTAM IN THE ŚRUTI SATYAM-

JÑĀNAMANANTAM BRAHMA^{584A}

This Bhedasourabha, after a close examination of all aspects, establishes the five-fold difference. The five-fold difference is distinction between God and the embodied, soul, distinction between God and matter, distinction among souls, distinction among matters and distinction between matter and soul.

"Difference is not merely a component part of reality, but constitutes its very essence. So much so, that to a thing is to know it as distinct from all others, in a general way and from some in a particular way...

Difference being thus Dharmisvarūpa, the so called perception of the object is nothing but the perception of its difference!"^{584B}

At the beginning, the expression Anantam in Satyam-jñānamanantam brahma of the Taittirīya Upaniṣad, is examined. The Advaitins interpret the term Anantam as limitlessness in respect of time, place and entities. They contend that the limitlessness in respect of entities means Brahman is comprised of all entities and hence there is nothing other than Brahman. It means Brahman is Sarvavasturūpa or of the

form of all entities. This view is not correct.⁵⁸⁵ Because, the very exposition of the nature of Brahman, according to the Advaita is Brahman is not Jada or insentient matter. He is not unreal. If it is admitted that Brahman is Sarva-vastvātmaka or identical with all entities then it would be contrary to their contention. As matter is also one of the entities, accordingly, Brahman would have to be of the form of matter. But the statement acclaims that Brahman is Jñānasvarūpa or of the form of knowledge. So the interpretation as the form of matter is not agreeable. Further, in the Advaita, world is unreal and this passage declares Brahman as real. So how can it be of the form or nature of unreal matter? There lies eternal difference between real and unreal. So the term Ananta conveys that Brahman is limitless in respect of place as It is present everywhere. (all-pervasive). It is also limitless in respect of time since It is present in all the three times, viz., past, present and future. Thus the expression does not convey the sense of Brahman as of the nature of all entities. That which is all-pervasive cannot be an Anurūpa or of the atomic form and that which is eternal, cannot be claimed to be non-eternal like pot, cloth and the like that are also atomic. Because in the first two cases pervasiveness and eternity of Brahman are declared. So how can the word Anantam convey the sense of identity with atomic and non-eternal

entities like pot, cloth and the like.⁵⁸⁶ Brahman is described as different due to Its limitlessness nature in respect of time and place. But how is that It is identified in respect of entities. If identity, with entities, is intended, then It must also be identified with time and place since these two also fall under the category of entities. This leads to the absurdity of expressing Brahman as Deśakālasvarūpa,⁵⁸⁷ or of the form or nature of time and place. But the attribute of pervasiveness, in respect of place and time, makes it clear that Brahman is distinct from Deśa and Kāla. Because, difference between pervasive and pervaded is ever established. Thus, the expression of identity with entities leads to two defects: identity with insentient matter world and identity with place and time.

As Anantatva or limitlessness in respect of place and time is understood as Brahman is present in all places and times, in respect of entities also it should be known that Brahman is present in all (limitless) entities. The limitlessness is to be understood in all the three cases with the same application.⁵⁸⁸ Vādirāja gives one more agreeable meaning.^{588A} The term Anantam means being the substratum or support to all entities. As Brahman is the sole substratum of limitless auspicious qualities He is also support of all limitless entities. Here it is to be noted that though

Brahman is the substratum or support to place, time and entities, He is different from them. But in the case of auspicious qualities, He is not Guṇabhinna or not different from the qualities. He is very embodiment of those qualities. In this sense, He is Guṇāśraya or the locus of auspicious qualities, Guṇābhinna or identical with them and Guṇavyāpta or pervaded by them. It is also meant that there is no limit of Brahman in being the support of limitless entities and there is no limit of entities having the support of Brahman.⁵⁸⁹ 'Ananta' is that which has no limit. Anta means limited association in respect of place and time with some entities; and that which has the association of all the times, places and all entities, is called Ananta. Thus, Guṇānantya means Brahman having the association of all auspicious attributes. In this sense, there is no difference or difficulty in realizing the significance of limitlessness.⁵⁹⁰ The relation in respect of place and time is of the Ādhārā-dheya-type or the support and the supported — since Brahman is the Ādhāra and place and time are Adheyas. In the case of the qualities the relation is Ādhārādheya and also Guṇa-guṇibhāva.^{590A} Brahman is Ādhāra and the qualities are Ādheya.

RELEVANCE OF THE GIVEN INTERPRETATION

The expression Anantam is to be understood accordingly, so that it should not lead to any confusion or contradiction. Otherwise, that may show the ignorance of understanding of the reality in respect of entities and also of Brahman being identified with all entities. And moreover, the sense of identity degrades or lessens the greatness of Brahman. Therefore it is not agreeable to regard identity. Further, the sense of identity stands opposed with other scriptural passages like Sa ca Brahmaidāpnotiparam^{590B} and the like wherein the term Param glorifies Brahman as distinct and supreme.⁵⁹¹

In fact, there is no difference of opinion with regard to limitlessness in respect of time and place. The difference of opinion lies only in the third aspect that is whether in respect of entities and in respect of qualities. Therefore, Vyāsa has specifically clarified and explained as Mahadgunatavat yamanantamahuh^{591A} stating the Lord is Ananta, being endowed with limitless auspicious qualities. Really speaking, it is because of the attributes of Vyāptatva or pervasion, and Nityatva or eternity, Guṇānantya is the primary meaning of the expression Anantam.⁵⁹² Vadiraja critically examines all the terms of the passage in their fitness with the context.

Brahman is extolled as Satya or real since He affords the very Sattva or existence or sustenance to this entire world. This conveys the sense of creation, sustenance and destruction. As Sattva stands for three functions of the Lord He is called Satya.⁵⁹³ The Advaitins interpret the term Satya as Abādhya.^{593A} According to this It is a subject of sublation. But this is not the meaning intended here. Because, in continuation of that passage, we find other passages that deliberately deal with the sustenance and destruction of the world by the Lord.^{593B} Therefore, here 'Satya' means the sole and independent creator, of the world, which is also real and stands distinct from Him.⁵⁹⁴

As it is said that Brahman is the creator of this world, He is also the destroyer. It is clear from the statements - Advatettica,^{594A} Annam Brahmeti vyajānāt^{594B} and the like. Thus the very fact of destroying the creation is the Annatva. So here Satya means destroyer of the creation.⁵⁹⁵ (Annamaya Kośa)^{595A}

Now the term Satya means also He, who affords the very life or sustenance to this world. This is denoted by the term Prāṇa. The Lord is described as Prāṇamaya that means the protector of the world. Both Satya and Prāṇa give the same sense.⁵⁹⁶

The second term Jñānam in the passage is explained with reference to Manomaya and Vijñānamaya Kośas. Brahman is described as Jñānam or knowledge due to His possessing the knowledge of all the entities in general and particular. The general knowledge of the Lord is complete and limitless in all respects. He knows limitless entities in this created world. Brahman has also specified (particular) knowledge of all entities. This is indicated by the prefix Vi in term Vijñāna of the Vijñānamayakośa. This is the knowledge of limitless entities with regard to special characteristics. Hence He is also called Sarvajña⁵⁹⁷ or Omniscient. This Sarvajñatva is explained in two Prakaraṇas - Manomaya or sheath of mind and Vijñānamaya⁵⁹⁸ or sheath of intellect.

Now the last term Anantam of the passage is explained in the Ānandamaya Prakaraṇa. Anantam means Pūrṇa, complete in all respects. Brahman is Pūrṇa or perfect with attributes Ānanda or bliss and the like. So the limitlessness is in respect of attributes and not in respect of entities. If Anantatva is meant as identity with the entities, then the very Ānandamaya-prakarana becomes not only irrelevant but also opposed to the other passages. If the world becomes identical with the nature of Brahman, then the passages Tatsr̥tvātadevānuprāviśat^{598A} and others become meaningless. The intended entrance is possible only when created world

is real and distinct from the creator. So Anantatva is the Pūrnatva or completeness of Ānandādigūṇas of the qualities like bliss and the like and not the identity ś is contended by the Advaitins.⁵⁹⁹ Thus, like Sarvajñatva, or Omniscience Ānandapūrnatva or perfection in respect of bliss is also a characteristic attribute which is explained in the Ānandamaya Prakaraṇa. And it is denoted by the term Anantam. It may be questioned as to why the term Ānanda is not used in passage instead of Anantam? The term Anantam serves double purpose. The term not only denotes Ānanda as shown above, but also the limitless nature of other attributes such as all-pervasiveness, omnipotence necessary for the creation and the like. The mention of Anantam in the passage is to state that all the attributes are complete also individually.⁶⁰⁰

The attributes are limitless in number. Each attribute is also all-pervasive and of the nature of limitless attributes. So the description of the six Prakaraṇas is the critical exposition of the Mantra Satyam Jñānamanantam brahma. In this way, the absolute distinction between the Lord and the world of souls and matter is established.

JUSTIFICATION OF THE ABOVE ORDER AND INTERPRETATION

The above order and interpretation is agreeable in all respects. Relevancy in two ways, is noted here. The statement Satyamjñānāmanantam brahma suggests the order in terms one by one. By the term Satyam, the sole doership (Sarvakartṛtva) of the Lord is explained. And this Sarvakartṛtva necessarily requires Sarvajñatva or omniscience. And this is described by the word Jñānam. At last as an essence, Guṇānantya or limitlessness in respect of qualities is explained. This Guṇānantya relates to all attributes of the Lord headed by Ānanda and declares that each attribute is limitless also. Secondly, this order is indicated and upheld by the Brahmasūtras also. The second Sūtra mentions the creation etc., of this world.^{600A} This creation is placed first and others next in the order. So the order of the inquiry of this passage has thus the support in two ways.⁶⁰¹ These two ways do not clash each other. Moreover we find another passage as Satyamjñānamānandam brahma.^{601A} It is called Samākhya Śruti. Here the word Ānandam is in the place of Anantam. It evidently states that the term Anantam is to be understood in respect of attributes, Ānanda and the like. In this way it is substantiated by the Samākhya Śruti.⁶⁰² The presence of Ānanda in the Samākhya Śruti does not negate the possibility of other qualities. It implies and stands for other qualities also. Thus Ānantya or limitlessness is proved in respect of qualities Ānanda and the like.⁶⁰³

The passage Nālpe sukham^{603A} states that, the Pūrṇatva or perfection is the cause of bliss, and this also promises the Pūrṇatva or perfection of each attribute of the Lord. The Lord is eternally contended, He is complete in respect of beauty, prowess, knowledge and the like. There is no occasion to have defects of sorrow and the like. Hence, He is eternally blissful. The limitlessness becomes the cause to prove Pūrṇatva or perfectness.⁶⁰⁴

Even if the Vastvānantya or limitlessness in respect of entities is taken, it is nothing but the Lord's eternal relation as the primary support of all the limitless entities.⁶⁰⁵ The relation of the Lord with the Guna, Kriyā and the like of all the entities is also evident. Here the Vastu is nothing but an attribute of the Lord. Just as one who has abundant wealth, is called Dhanapūrṇa, so also Brahman is called Gunapūrṇa since He is endowed with limitless qualities.⁶⁰⁶ In defence of this, Vādirāja quotes some Bhāgavata statements.^{606A} As there being no limit in respect of qualities, the Lord is glorified as Anantam.⁶⁰⁷

If the term Pūrṇatva in respect of qualities such as Sarvajñatva etc. of the Lord is not admitted then, it would be as good as treating the Lord as Alpañña, Aññāni in some places. But nowhere and by no means the Lord is described

as either Alpañā or Aññāni. As the Lord is all-pervasive (Dharmin), His auspicious qualities (Dharmas) are also all-pervasive like the form, taste etc. of the objects. The Dharmas, other than Samyoga, are all-pervasive in Dharmin like Dharmin itself.⁶⁰⁸ Therefore the state of limitedness cannot be ascribed to the attributes of the Lord. Neither the Lord nor His attributes are the products of Māyā. As He is eternally real, His limitless qualities are also eternally real.

Thus, the passage Satyam Jñānāmanantam brahma disproves the two contentions of the Advaitins, identity of Brahman and soul and qualitylessness of the Lord. It proves Gūṇa-pūrṇatva or perfectness in respect of qualities of the Lord and also the absolute distinction between the Lord and the souls.⁶⁰⁹

ESTABLISHING JĪVEŚVARABHEDA BY SHOWING IRRELEVANCY AND CONTRADICTION IN OTHER BHĀṢYAS

Lord Vedavyāsa has composed the Brahmasūtras to determine the support of the scriptural passages. These Sūtras show the way of interpretation and hence are called Sūtras.⁶¹⁰ They are Nirṇāyakas or determining^{and} the scripture is Nirṇeya or the determined. The purport or import of the scriptures should be understood in the light of the Brahma-

sūtras.⁶¹¹ Therefore, any interpretation, that is not in accordance with the Brahmasūtras, is not correct. Vādirāja declares that the Bhāṣya^{611A} or the commentary written by Madhva, alone is relevant since it is written in accordance with the Brahmasūtras.

The Advaitins interpret that the Puccha in the passage of the Taittīriya Śruti viz., Brahma Puccham Pratiṣṭhā^{611B} is Brahman. They also say that the Ānandamaya is a Kośa. But in the forthcoming passages of that context, Asanneva sa bhavati, Asadbrahmeti veda cet, Asti brahmeti cedveda and^{611C} the like the word Brahman is used twice and Ānandamaya is described as Brahman only. The Sūtra Ānandamayo'bhyaśat also lays down that Ānandamaya is Brahman.^{611D} So treating Ānandamaya as Kośa and describing Puccha as Brahman is irrelevant to the context and also against the Brahmasūtra.⁶¹²

The term Ānandamaya is to be understood as Brahman and not as Puccha. Because, in the four Prakaraṇas of Ānandamaya and so on, the object of praise is Āṅgin and not the Āṅga (limb). Likewise in the fifth Prakarana of the Ānandamaya, the Āṅgin (Puruṣa) alone is to be taken to be the object of praise and not any limb such as Puccha. The word Brahma in Brahma Puccham Pratiṣṭhā^{612A} does not suggest that the Puccha is Brahman but it implies that the Puccha (foot) of

Brahman is also Ānandapūrṇa or blissful. So the word Brahman is to be taken to mean Ānandamaya (Āṅgin) and not as Puccha (Aṅga).

The Advaita-interpretation states that Ānandayama is a Kośa.^{612B} But it is irrelevant; because as the Kośa is insentient the Puccha, its part, must also be insentient. So Brahmatva cannot be attributed to that insentient Puccha. In the Dvaita view, as all the limbs are of the blissful form of Brahman, they are also blissful and are of the very nature of Brahman and as such, ^{there is} no such irrelevancy.⁶¹³

If Brahmatva is attributed to Aṅga (Puccha) alone, then how can there be Brahmatva in the Āṅgin and if Abrahmatva is ascribed to the Āṅgin then how can there be Brahmatva to the part (Puccha) of that Āṅgin. Thus both the arguments show the defects in the Advaita-interpretation. In Brahman, who is Jñānarūpa or the very form of knowledge, there are delight, bliss and the like. These are also the very nature of Brahman. When Brahman is Sukharūpa or blissful, Brahmatā is there in that bliss. In the passage Brahman is described as Ānandam brahma kaṁ brahmā^{613A} and the like. This states that Ānanda or bliss is Brahman, blissful is Brahman. So Brahmatā is there to that Ānandamaya in complete and not only in a part viz., Puccha.⁶¹⁴ It is strange to know as to

how the Advaitins, who are very much particular about the identity of soul and Brahman, are not ready to admit the identity of Aṅga and Aṅgin that constitutes or comprises of one and the same object.⁶¹⁵ When Puccha can be Brahman then why can't the middle portion of that body? If an Ox is made of clay, the tail should also necessarily be of clay.⁶¹⁶

Moreover, Brahmatva is evident in both Aṁśin and Aṁśas and it is complete in all respects. The passage Pādam brahma karau brahma^{616A} clearly mentions that Brahmatā is seen in all the parts. It glorifies the limbs of Brahman as having Brahmatā being complete in all respects.⁶¹⁷ The Pūrṇatva or perfection described in passage of Brahman, has been realized by the knowers like Brahman and others. Yaśodā is the witness in this regard who saw the entire world in the graceful mouth of Lord Kṛṣṇa.^{617A} So all the limbs of Brahman are all-pervasive and hence are of the nature of Brahman.

In the Bhṛguvalli of Taittirīyopaniṣad, while delineating the definition of Brahman, it is described that creation and the like of this world take place from Ānanda and the same Ānanda as Brahman is praised at the Ānandamaya-prakarṇa of the Brahmavalli.^{617B} So the Ānandamaya is Brahman.⁶¹⁸ By the passage Brahma Puccham pratiṣṭha,^{618A} if Brahmatva is restricted to Puccha only then, according to the passage

Ānanda ātma,^{618B} Ānandatva is to be restricted to the soul of Brahman. Then it implies that there is no Ānanda in Brahman denoted by Puccha. So if Brahmatva is negated in the Ānandamaya, then the Ānandatva is to be negated in Brahman. Thus, the entire exposition of the Advaitins becomes absurd and contradictory.⁶¹⁹

If the Ānandamaya is the material sheath, then how can there be Brahmatva in its Puccha? And by referring to Puccha, form is to be admitted. But in the Advaita, Brahman is formless (Nirākāra).^{619A} By admitting Brahmatva in the Puccha of material sheath which is deprived of Brahmatva it appears as if the organ is cut off from the Ānandamaya. It is as good as saying that the passage is Atatvāvedaka or not imparting the right knowledge.⁶²⁰ And if for attributing Brahmatva, Puccha is taken to be Adhiṣṭhāna or substratum, then Brahmatva becomes Āropita or superimposed. And whatever is superimposed is unreal. So Brahmatva would become unreal. And how is that this Brahmatva is attributed to Puccha alone which is a limb and why not to other limbs of that Ānandamaya.

Therefore, Brahmatva should not be restricted to the Puccha. It should also to be referred to the Ānandamaya as a whole. Then only there would be concordance among scriptural passages Ānandam brahmeti vyajñāt, Brahma puccham pratisthā and the like.^{620A}

If the Advaitins have high regard to scripture, let them admit Brahmatva to Puccha but they cannot have the privilege of discarding Brahmatva to Ānandamaya (sheath). Abrahmatva of Ānandamaya is nowhere heard in scriptures.⁶²¹ The reason given by the Advaitins as Brahmatva, since specified in terms with Puccha, is not there in Ānandamaya; gives chance to fabricate counter reason as Brahmatva, since not referred to Ānandamaya cannot be there in Puccha as it being the part of Ānandamaya or sheath. Thus mere reason leads to misinterpretation. Sometimes it also spoils the contextual purport. Therefore, that reason alone which has the support of either perception or right scriptures is valid. The reason, given by the Dvaitins, ^{has} the support of both scriptures and Brahmasūtras. Hence, Ānandamaya is not a sheath. Brahmatva is to be referred to both Ānandamaya and Puccha.⁶²² However, the reason advanced by the Advaitins may be appealing, if it is against the Sūtra, then it will be futile.

The Advaitins contend that the Kartṛtva, in respect of creation etc., of the world though a characteristic is a contingent in pure Brahman.^{622A} It is a contingent characteristic and not a constituent characteristic. The above definition may be seen in the Śabala Brahman who is Avidyāśrita. And it is this Śabala Brahman who is the Kartā of the creation etc., of the world.

While interpreting the second Sūtra Janmādyasya yataḥ, the Advaitins hold that this lakṣaṇa or definition is a contingent characteristic of Brahman. They say that Śabala Brahman, a product of Māyā, is the creator etc., of this world.^{622B} Hence, the above definition of the Sūtra applies to this Śabala Brahman. It is as good as attributing Jagatkāraṇatva or world-creatorship to Māyā. But the contention of the Sūtrakāra is different. The second Sūtra expresses the fact of Brahman being the efficient cause (Nimittakāraṇa) like a potter in making a pot. And this Sūtra does not state the Tatastha lakṣaṇa as the Advaitins believe. Because, after mentioning Brahman in the first Sūtra, the Sūtrakāra is giving the definition of Brahman in the second Sūtra. There is no necessity to define Avidyā or Śabalabrahman in the second Sūtra which is out of context.⁶²³

According to innumerable usages and also other aphorisms, a word having the suffix 'Tasi' conveys the sense of all cases.^{623A} In view of this Yataḥ in the Sūtra is to be meant as 'Yena' (instrumental case). Then the Śruti conveys that the Lord is the creator of this world. He is the efficient cause. He need not get modified Himself and need not appear in the form of the world as the Advaitins contend.

If the definition of Kartṛtva is attributed to Māyā,

then the entire creation and the like of the world, would become without a Kartā.⁶²⁴ It is not sound and tenable to hold that without a Kartā, effects get originated. And if, along with Māyā, Brahman is taken to be a cause of creation, then the purpose of ascribing Tātsasthya to Brahmalaksana stands unserved. And further, neither the Śruti nor the Sūtra promises two types of origination of an effect with Kartā and without Kartā.

In the first Sūtra, Brahman is described as an object of inquiry and in the second Sūtra as a reason to have inquiry. His constituent characteristic of creation etc., is explained. In the same way, the Śruti passages Tadvijī-
ñāsasva tadbrahmeti^{624A} and the like, state Brahman as an object of inquiry. And other passages Yato vā imāni bhūtāni
jāyante^{624B} and so on, deal with constituent characteristics of Brahman, as the cause of inquiry. If the definition of Kartṛtva is not referred to aim at Brahman then why the mention of Brahman, as an object of inquiry in the first Sūtra, is made? And if it is held that the definition aims at Māyā, then one has to pursue the inquiry of Māyā to attain the same. By this, the very concept of Brahman and the inquiry of Him stand dismissed.⁶²⁵ Hence, taking into account Brahman as the primary object of inquiry, definitions are to be explained.

The Advaitins' contention of attributing Tatasthatva to the definition of Brahman does serve the purpose of overcoming the contradiction with other passages like Niṣkriyaṃ, niskalaṃ śāntaṃ, is baseless. Really speaking there is no contradiction. The passage Niṣkriyaṃ niskalaṃ śāntaṃ^{625A} does not negate the Kartṛtva of Brahman but negates secular effects such as birth, death and the like. So there is no contradiction among scriptural passages and hence there is no scope to attribute Tatasthatva to the definition of Brahman. Like Time, Brahman is also an efficient cause. But He is the primary efficient cause unlike Time and the like. So there is no possibility to describe Brahman as the material cause by any means.⁶²⁶

The Dharma or the characteristic feature that is present only in all the defined objects and not in others, is called Lakṣaṇa or definition. That is the Asādhāraṇadharmā or the unique feature of that entity. When this is what is meant by Lakṣaṇa, then how can the Lakṣaṇa of Jagatkāraṇatva, aiming at Māyā, the Upādānakāraṇa of the world, be the Lakṣaṇa of Brahman? And if its application or presence is admitted in both Brahman and the Māyā, then Lakṣaṇa becomes Ativyāpta (too-wide).^{626A} Further, Lakṣaṇa of Jagatkāraṇatva, aiming at Māyā as said above, cannot be the Lakṣaṇa of Brahman. Thus, the attributing Tātasthya to the definition of

Jagatkāraṇatva makes the very definition as the definition of Māyā and not of Brahman. Thus, Tatasthalakṣaṇa spoils the very proposition of the context-inquiry of Brahman.^{626B}

By disregarding the Tatasthalakṣaṇa, it is proved that Brahman cannot get associated with Māyā and hence Upādāna-kāraṇatva or the fact being the material cause cannot be attributed to Brahman. Further, Tatasthalakṣaṇa can also not be understood as Brahman is the substratum (Adhiṣṭhāna) for the superimposition (Āropa) of Māyā, the Upādāna according to the Advaitins of Jagat. Because, neither in the Brahmasūtra nor in the Śruti, Āropa is described as an object of inquiry. Otherwise, the Sūtrakāra could have composed the second Sūtra as Āropasya Yataḥ instead of Janmādyasya yataḥ and the Śruti would also have explained the Āropa deliberately. Therefore the term Yataḥ in the Sūtra and the Śruti, is to be meant as Brahman and to be construed with Tad that literally denotes Brahman. Thus, there is no reference to Māyā by any means.⁶²⁷

The contention of the Advaita that Lakṣaṇa is Tatastha, since Brahman is Nirguṇa^{627A} is also untenable.^{627B} The Lakṣaṇa conveys the attributes of Brahman one or another. And if on the basis of Nirguṇa-Śruti, Tatasthatva is attributed to the Lakṣaṇa, then that leads to the defect of mutual

dependence. If Nirgunatva or attributelessness would be the primary import of the Śruti then Lakṣaṇa can be proved as Tatastha and if the Tatasthatva of Lakṣaṇa is proved, Nirgunatva can be proved. Thus there is Anyonyāśraya or defect of mutual dependence. So the Lakṣaṇa cannot become Tatastha with regard to Brahman.⁶²⁸

Now Brahman cannot be the Upādānakāraṇa or material cause of the world. Because, He is Nirvikāri (not subject to modification). Hence He is described as the creator and so on in the Sūtra as well as in the Śruti. Brahman not being subject to modification, is acclaimed as Niskriyā in the Śruti. It also means that though He gets engaged in the creation and the like, He is not affected by the results such as Punya, or merit, ^{and} Pāpa or demerit. In this sense, He is called Akartā or non-doer.

There is no proper direction in the approach of the Advaitins since they, sometimes neglecting the Śruti, resort to the Sūtra and sometimes disregarding the Sūtra, resort to the Śruti. E.g. while explaining the Śruti Asya Lokasya...^{629A} the term Ākāśa is understood as Brahman with the help of the Sūtra Ākāśastallīṅgāt;^{629B} but while explaining Ānandamaya, the determining Sūtra Ānandamayobhyāsāt is given up, and it is explained as Kośa.^{629C} Thus there is irrelevancy in the Advaita-interpretation.

The Śruti Sa idam sarvamsrjata^{629D} clearly states that Brahman is the creator of this world and not the material cause.⁶³⁰ If Kartṛtva is absolutely unseen in Brahman then this passage would have to aim at something else. But nowhere in the Śruti and the Sūtra, Kartṛtva of Brahman is negated. In the first Sūtra instruction is given to engage in an inquiry of Brahman. Thus, having instructed in the first Sūtra, there is no need and occasion to define Māyā (Ajñāna) in the second Sūtra. So there is no scope to Upādānatva attribute/an attribute of Māyā, to Brahman.⁶³¹

The Upādāna or the material cause cannot itself modify into an effect.
 /So the Prakṛti being Upādāna cannot modify itself as the world. It requires a Kartā or a creator to modify as the world.⁶³²
 So the creator is needed for any creation. Otherwise, the very argument goes in favour of Nirīśvarasāṅkhyās, who admit Prakṛti as an independent cause^{632A} for the creation. Hence the Kartṛtva, willingly or unwillingly is to be accepted without any alternative.⁶³³ Further the Kartṛtva is not seen in insentient matter. So Brahman, the supreme being, must be admitted as the Kartā. Referring to the Niskriyatva passage if Kartṛtva is negated then owing to Nirguṇa passage, Ajñāna must be negated. As the soul is described a dependent Kartā in the scriptures,^{633A} there is no room for doubt whether Brahman is the sole Kartā. Brahman is the independent Kartā.⁶³⁴

The passage stating Niskriyatva, denies the Vikriyā or modification in Brahman and not the Kriyā or action. If Lakṣaṇa of Kartrtva, owing to Niskriya passage is Tatastha in Brahman, then Ajnāna must also be taken to mean Tatastha in Brahman owing to the Śruti Ekamevādvitīyam brahmā.⁶³⁵ Vādirāja interprets this passage in the most appealing manner.

In the Advaita, Brahman and Ajnāna are since beginningless. So Ajnāna is to be admitted as second, other than Brahman. The world, then, would be the third one. If the Advitīya Śruti is taken for granted to refute the second one, then, by that, Ajnāna, being second, stands negated and not the world which is the third.^{635A}

Thus, the Advaita-interpretation of the Sūtra and the Śruti gives scope to the defects Ativyāpti^{635B} (attributing Brahma Lakṣaṇa to Avidyā), Asambhava^{635C} (negating Kartrtva as Lakṣaṇa) and the like. And hence it is not in accordance either with the Sūtra or with the Śruti.

By the Sūtra, Jamādyasya yataḥ the Brahmalakṣaṇa is given. It is acclaimed that Brahman is Pūrṇa in respect of power, knowledge and the like. For the creation of this wonderful world unlimited knowledge, will, effort, power,

kindness and the like are essential. The Lakṣaṇa of Sṛṣṭyā-dikarṭṛtva, referred to in the Sūtra, is also a Guṇa. Thus by the Lakṣaṇasūtra, Guṇapūṛṇatva or perfectness in respect of the qualities of Brahman is proved.⁶³⁶ By this Lakṣaṇasūtra itself, His absolute distinction from the world of souls and matter is also proved. As Brahman is described the creator, the sustainer, the destroyer, the bestower of knowledge and the like, His Supreme Superiority is also proved. The same Sūtra, delineating the Lakṣaṇa of Jagat-karṭṛtva or creatorship of the world of Brahman (who is absolutely real) establishes reality of the world too.

The Abheda or identity of Brahman with these qualities as explained in the passage Neha nānāsti kincana^{636A} is also suggested by the Sūtra. The fact of Abheda in His qualities is also a merit and is the very nature of Brahman. It means Brahmatva is the very nature of the qualities.⁶³⁷ Brahman is the possessor of all qualities. There is identity between quality and their possessor. There is also the Guṇāguṇībhāva or the relation of the quality and the qualified. To effect these two, the Viśeṣa is to be admitted. These Viśeṣas are infinite in Brahman and help for Bhedavyavahāra as 'knowledge of Brahman' and the like. These Viśeṣas are also the very attributes of Brahman and are of the very nature of Brahman. Otherwise the very usage or expression would be meaningless. All this has the sanction of the Sūtras.⁶³⁸ When Brahman is

declared as the creator, He must have the defectless form. A formless one cannot act and create something. The blissful form of Brahman is glorified in both the Sūtras and Śrutis.^{638A} If the graceful and blissful form is not admitted, then Brahman would cease to get engaged in creation like a potter, lacking hands, cannot create a pot.⁶³⁹

Thus has been shown with relevant examples, irrelevancy of the Advaita-interpretation and relevancy of the Dvaita view.

BHEDA ESTABLISHING THROUGH BRAHMASŪTRAS AND THE INTERPRETATION OF AIKYA ŚRUTI

Really speaking, all the Brahmasūtras declare Bheda or absolute distinction of Brahman from the soul. But some Sūtras do not state the distinction openly. But it is beyond doubt that distinction is nowhere denied. In some Sūtras, apparently it appears as if distinction is denied and identity is accepted. But taking into account the contextual reference of the scriptural passage, Adhikaraṇa and the like, it is evident that distinction is the primary import of all the Brahmasūtras. Vādirāja deals with those Sūtras that ultimately aims at the absolute distinction of Brahman from the soul.

As already said, there are a good number of Sūtras that

establishe distinction, but the Sūtra Sthityadanābhyām ca^{639A} (I.iii.7) is taken first as it involves Yukti or reasoning and as the work is named Yuktimallikā.⁶⁴⁰ In this Sūtra soul and Brahman are described as abiding in the physis. The soul reaps or eats the fruits of his deeds whereas Brahman, without eating, dwells there with His blissful nature. Thus the two reasons as eating the fruits of the deeds and absence of eating, prove the distinction between soul and Brahman.

The Sūtra Śarīraścobhayeṇ hi bhedenainamadhīyate^{640A} (I.ii.20) explains that Śarīra jīva is not an Antaryāmin or indweller. It is the Paramātman who is Antaryāmin. So Paramātman is the supporter and soul is the supported. So there is difference between the two.⁶⁴¹ This Sūtra is to determine the purport of the Śruti Ya ātmani tiṣṭhan...^{641A}

There are some Sūtras quoted here wherein the term Bheda is present and that states distinction clearly. Bhedavyapadeśacca (I.i.17), this Sūtra is in the Ānandamayādhikaraṇa. This states that the Ānandamaya is Viṣṇu and not others, since distinction lies even in the Mukti state. And it is repeatedly stressed in Taittirīya Śruti.^{641B} As the Bheda is there even in the Mukti, it is evident that the Bheda is eternal. Bhedavyapadeśāt (I.iii.5) this Sūtra

deals with the Ātharvānaśruti-Juṣṭam yadā...^{641C} It promises that a devotee should think of and realize Viṣṇu as distinct from him. Bhedavyapadeśācchānyaḥ (I.i.21), this Sūtra specifies that the Antaryāmin is distinct from souls like Indra and others. The Sūtra- Viśeṣanabhedavyapadeśābhyāṃ ca netarau, (I.ii.22) deals with the passage, Yah sarvajñaḥ...^{641D} and states that Viṣṇu is distinct from Kṣarakṣarajīvas^{641E} as He is Omniscient and self-contained.⁶⁴²

Further, two Sūtras Anupa-pattemu na Śācīrah (I.ii.3) and Netaronupapatteh (I.i.16) justify the distinction of soul and Brahman with proper reasons. At first, it is stated that the attributes of soul are distinct from the attributes of Lord Viṣṇu. Hence there is Bheda. The second states that Viṣṇudharma of bestowing the release is unseen and unreasonable in the soul. So He is Bhinna.⁶⁴³

The Sūtra Muktopasrpya vyapadeśāt (I.iii.2) states that Brahman is an object of attainment even by liberated souls. This Sūtra explains and determines the import of Ātharvāna Śruti Amṛtasyesa setuḥ.^{643A} It proves that Viṣṇu and not others is the supporter of the entire world. The Sūtra Asminnasya ca tadyogam śāsti (I.i.19) explains that the aspirant will have the Yoga (contact or association) of Ānandabrahman as a fruit in release. The Sūtra Prthagupadeśāt

(II.iii.27) dispels the apparently appearing contradiction of the Śrutis Tattvamasī,^{643B} Ahaṁ brahmāsmi,^{643C} Nityo-
nityānam,^{643D} Dvā suparṇā^{643E} and the like. It is stated that the soul is absolutely distinct from Brahman since the import of the Śrutis specifies the distinction.

Then the Sūtra coming in the fourth viz., Phalādyāya sampadyavīhāya svena śabdāt (IV.iv.1) states that the soul of the realized nature, attaining Brahman in release and being distinct from Him, experiences the desired blissful enjoyments. Brahman is Jagajjanmādikarṇa (efficient cause of the creation etc., of the world) but the souls, though liberated, do not have the creatorship of the creation of the world and the like. This is stated by the Sūtra Jagadyāpāra varjaṁ (IV.iv.17) which negates Śṛṣṭyādivyāpāra (the power of creation etc.) in the released souls.

In this way, Bheda is acclaimed in all the Sūtras composed by Vedavyāsa. This is the primary import.⁶⁴⁴

The Surottamatīrtha, in his commentary Bhāvavilāsinī gives a brief account of all the four Adhyāyas of the Brahma-sūtras and mentions that Bheda is the primary aspect enumerated in and determined by all the Sūtras. In the first Samanvayādhyāya, Brahman is described as the premier object

and import (sense) of all the words that generally refer to and convey other things. Other things are not the primier object of expression of words. So there is distinction between the two i.e. Brahman and other objects. In the second Aviredhadyāya, Brahman is declared as defectless (Doṣadūra). So He must be distinct from those who are defective. Thus, distinction is evident. In the Sadhanādyāya, Brahman is described as an object of realization. So, he, who will secure realization, must be different from Him the object of realization. In the last Phalādyāya, Brahman is stated as the bestower of release and is described as an object of attainment. So, He must be distinct from those, on whom He bestows the release.

The Śrutis that appear as if conveying the Abhedārtha, are to be understood in favour of distinction only since the Sūtras have determined that Abhedārtha is not the primary import. In the Śruti Prāṇo Vāhamasmiṣe,^{644A} it appears that Indra is Prāṇa. But he is not. The Sūtra Na Vaktur-ātmopadeśāditi cedadhyātmasambandhabhūmā hyasmin (I.1.29) determines that, at the time of Indra's declaration of this Śruti, there was special presence of Viṣṇu by name Prāṇa. This statement is like the usage 'this is fire' when an iron ball, excessively heated, is seen. In fact that is iron ball only but because of reddish colour, ball is termed as fire.

In the same way, he is Indra only. But owing to the special presence of Viṣṇu by name Prāṇa, he declares 'I am Prāṇa.' So there is no scope for conveying identity. It ultimately conveys distinction. Indra cannot be identical with Prāṇa-nāma Viṣṇu. In this way, with the help of the Sūtras, apparent contradiction of the Śrutis must be dispelled.⁶⁴⁵

Thus Vādirāja, showing accordingly the distinction as the primary import of all the Sūtras, promises that the Sūtras not only determine the Bheda but also the reality of the world. E.g. the Sūtra Sattvāccāvarasya (II.1.17) declares the real existence of the things other than Brahman.

The passage Pare'vyaye sarva ekībhavanti^{645A} seems to declare the Advaitic identity. To determine the import of this passage, the Sūtra Bhoktrāpatteravibhāgaścet syāllokavat (II.1.16) is taken into account. Here, Abheda or identity is treated as Pūrvapakṣa, and it is denied. The Sūtra states that all the liberated souls get together in release like the cows getting together in the cow-pen. This shows that the liberated souls are distinct from each other and also distinct from Brahman. In release the liberated souls are under the control of Brahman. There is only Sthānaikya or the unity of place. Thus the concept Bheda is referred to in all the Sūtras.⁶⁴⁶

This Bheda is Pāramārthika and not Vyāvahārika or Mithyā, as understood by the Advaitins. It is essential for attaining the Mokṣa. The Sūtrakāra, proposing an inquiry of Brahman in the first Sūtra as an essential requirement for the attainment of release, has determined distinction in all the Sūtras since Brahman, an object of an inquiry must be distinct from those who pursue the Jijñāsa⁶⁴⁷ an inquiry.

'SAMANYAYĀDHYĀYA' ESTABLISHES GUNAPŪRNATVA THROUGH SARVA-ŚABDAVĀCYATVA

The Advaitins' view is that Brahman is Avācya or beyond all expressions. Because It is inexpressible, It is Nirguna or qualityless or unqualified. So, there is no question of Gunapūrnatva or full qualified as understood by the Dvaitins. Avācya means unable to express by any word. No word expresses Brahman by Mukhyavṛtti (primary power). Sometimes, it is on the basis of implication (Lakṣanā), Brahman is conveyed by some words. Words always convey one or other attribute of entities. As no word expresses Brahman and thus It being Avācya, It has no attributes. Attributes, conveyed by Lakṣanāvṛtti or implication are not at all taken into account. This view of argument of Advaitins,⁶⁴⁸ is not correct.

In Samanyayādhyāya of the Brahmasūtras, not only the

words, describing ~~and~~ expressing Brahman are taken into account but also other words that express generally other entities, are also explained. It is determined that all the words primarily express Brahman only. As an example different types of words- Nāmātmaka, Līṅgātmaka and others are explained and it is shown that every word describes one or the other auspicious quality of Brahman. The word Brahman in the first Sūtra gives the sense of Guṇapūrṇatva or perfectness in respect of qualities. It is because of Brahman is Sarvaśabda-vācya, (expressible by all words). Etymologically, Brahman means Pūrṇa⁶⁴⁹ or full of perfect. The same fact is determined in all the Sūtras of the first Adhyāya.⁶⁵⁰ The Līṅga is a peculiar Dharma or characteristic denoted by a concerned word. It is in the form of an attribute. So it is as good as saying that even Līṅgātmaka words ultimately convey Brahman by describing His attributes.

The Sūtra Antastadharmopadeśāt (I.1.20), Antaryāmyadhi-daivādiṣu taddharmavyapadeśāt (I.11.18), Adṛśyatvādiguṇako dharmokteḥ (I.11.20), Sarvadharmopatteśca (I.1.38) etc., clearly point out that Brahman is expressed by infinite words as He possesses infinite attributes. So He is Guṇapūrṇa, perfect in respect of qualities. He is also Sarvaśabda-vācya or an object of all expressions. If words do not express distinct nature of Brahman, then what is the use of describing

Him by so many words? As Brahman is absolutely real, His attributes are also real.⁶⁵¹

All the words in the Vedas declare Brahman primarily. The Sūtras Śabdādeva pramitah (I.iii.24), Gouṇaścennātma śabdāt (I.i.6) etc., make it clear that Brahman is expressed by all the words. In Him there is Samanvaya or harmonious interpretation of different words. And this Samanvaya stands useless if attributes denoted by the words are denied in Brahman. Because, that ultimately negates the Guṇapūrṇatva of Brahman. Then the very usage Brahman in the first Sūtra would become meaningless and purposeless.⁶⁵²

The Advaita Bhāṣya or Brahmasūtra, mentions that the first quarter of first chapter makes an inquiry of Brahman dealing with some indicative marks that are clear and explicit whereas the second and the third quarters of the same chapter refers to the indicative marks that are not clear.⁶⁵³

But, Vādirāja opines that the indicative marks enumerated in the Br.Sū. are all clear and explicit as they proclaim one or other characteristic or attribute of Brahman. Here, it looks that Vādirāja understands and takes the clear indicative marks in the sense of characteristics or attributes. As a matter of fact, he refers to the first Sūtra of the third

quarter and defends that the Sūtra declares the positive
 indicative mark clearly as an attribute of the Lord, and He
 also promises that all the Sūtras aim at and glorify the
 attributes of the Lord clearly.^{653A}

The Sūtras in the third quarter, Dyubhādyāyatanam
 svaśabdāt (I.iii.1) and Muktopasrpya vyāpadeśāt (I.iii.2)
 clearly state that Brahman is the support to heaven, earth
 and the like. He is an object of attainment by the released
 souls. Thus, here also the qualities of Brahman are described.
 So there is no scope for Nirviśeṣatva or attributelessness
 and the like. And moreover, the very expression, as Jiḥnāsā,
 inquiry of Nirviśeṣa attributeless Brahman is defective,
 because an inquiry needs the discussion of the Dharmas or
 characteristics or attributes of entities here of Brahman.

So the opinion of the Sūtrakāra is that
 that Brahman is Pūrṇa or perfect with infinite auspicious
 attributes since He is expressed and conveyed by all the
 words.⁶⁵⁴

ADVAITA VIEW IS CONTRADICTORY TO THE SŪTRA

Owing to the apparent contradiction, seen in the scrip-
 tural passages the Advaitins classify the Vedas as Tatvāvedaka
 or imparting true knowledge and Atatvāvedaka or imparting

wrong knowledge and they consider only Nirguṇaśrutis as Tatvāvedaka.⁶⁵⁵ Āvedaka means communicating or aiming at reality. They state that the passages that aim at reality, (since according to the Advaita, Brahman alone is reality) are Tatvāvedaka and others are Atatvāvedaka. But this classification is not at all upheld by the Sūtrakāra.⁶⁵⁶ Owing to apparent contradiction, it is not agreeable to group the scriptures as above. The third and fourth quarters of the second Adhyāya (Avirodhādhyāya) are meant to remove the apparent conflict or contradiction among the scriptural passages. There, it is proved that all scriptures are Tatvāvedakas only.

On the basis of personal experience as 'I am ignorant,' it is not befitting to attribute Ajñāna or ignorance in Brahman and it is not the contention of the Sūtrakāra also. As already stated, all the Sūtras aim at the absolute distinction between Brahman and the soul. Both are of distinct nature. So personal experience as 'I am ignorant' proves that ignorance is a quality abiding in the souls. This experience does not prove ignorance in Brahman and cannot harm the Sarvajñatva or omniscience of Brahman. The very experience indicates that the soul's experience is an outcome of ignorance.⁶⁵⁷ So the absolute distinction of the soul from Brahman remains unharmed.

BRAHMAN IS NOT NIRĀKĀRA BUT IS OF PŪRNĀNANDADEHA

In defending the Nirgunatva of Brahman the Advaitins hold that Brahman is Nirākāra. If It were Akāravān having a form, then their contention of Nirgunatva holds no good. Therefore, they state that Brahman is Nirākāra or formless. But this view is not tenable, because when Puccha (according to the Advaita) is taken to mean Brahman, the view of Nirākāratva is gone. This is closely examined and discussed in the Ānandamayādhikaraṇa.⁶⁵⁸

The passage Tasya priyameva śiraḥ⁶⁵⁹ states that His form is blissful. Here, śiraḥ stands for not only head but also other limbs. So all organs are blissful. The two arms of Brahman are described as Moda and Pramoda, aspects of bliss. The related passages are Modo dakṣiṇaḥ pakṣaḥ, Pramoda uttaraḥ pakṣaḥ.⁶⁶⁰ Here Moda and Pramoda are not different in nature and essence; they are the two aspects of the same bliss. The right arm called Moda also is blissful like the left one called Pramoda. So difference lies in terms and not in essence.

The passage Ānanda ātma conveys the blissful nature of the middle portion. And the passage Brahma pucchem pratiṣṭhā⁶⁶¹ refers to all the limbs of Brahman. As support of the entire body possessing all limbs, the foot is extolled particularly

and specifically. But it does not negate the blissful nature of other limbs of the body.

The word Brahman, used at the end of that Prakarana, is to be construed with all the statements accordingly. Brahman stands for Pūṇasukha or perfect bliss. The terms Priya, Moda, Pramoda and so on referred^{to} at first, declare that the form of Brahman is blissful including Puccha-foot. The 'Mayat' suffix in Ānandamaya stands for completeness or for abundance. Mayat is also Pūṇatvavācaka or expressive of perfectness and Brahman also Pūṇatvavācaka.⁶⁶² So there need not be any difference in purport or import of several scriptural passages.

In another passage, it is stated that the souls, liberated by the grace of Brahman, will have the blissful enjoyment at their own accord.⁶⁶³ This proves that Brahman, who is eternally liberated, must also be of blissful nature. Thus, the scripture as well as reasoning describe the Puccha is also of perfect bliss. So the term Brahman is Sukhavācaka.⁶⁶⁴ Brahman is Bimba or original and souls are Pratibimbas or reflections. Owing to the Bimba-pratibimba-bhāva also Sukha-rūpatva blissful nature is evident. Because, it is explained that the liberated souls, who are reflections will have blissful enjoyments for having not manifested their blissful nature.

Thus the scriptures clearly state the blissful nature of Brahman.⁶⁶⁵ In view of this, the Sūtrakāra also specifies as Ānandamaya'bhyāsāt.⁶⁶⁶

In these Śruti passages, the primary import is the blissful Brahman is not irrelevant. The Lakṣaṇā is resorted to only when the expressed sense is incompatible.⁶⁶⁷ If it is argued that 'Śiraḥ' is to be understood as like Śiraḥ then, on the same ground in Pucchaṃ Brahma, the primary sense of the term Brahman is to be given up which is not desirable even to the Advaitins.⁶⁶⁸ Moreover, in the same line, the Śruti directs as Sa vā esa puruṣavidha eva⁶⁶⁹ where there is no scope for Lakṣaṇā. The particle 'Eva' determines that Brahman is Puruṣākāra and that is blissful. It does not get modified and hence it is absolutely and eternally real.⁶⁷⁰ So Brahman is of the nature of Pūrṇānanda or perfect blissful. He is blissful with Sukharūpa and He is the Lord Nārāyaṇa. He is eternally deprived of material elements. He, being eternally blissful, becomes an object of blissful experience. Thus the Śruti promises that Ānandamaya is Sākāra with limbs that are also blissful.⁶⁷¹

INTERPRETATION OF APPARENTLY CONFLICTING STATEMENTS OF PŪRNAS SUCH AS TRAYĀNĀM... ETC., OF BHĀGAVATA⁶⁷²

(Pūrṇas also declare Bheda).

The Nirṇeya works are those that convey the determined sense and the Nirṇāyakas are those that give the clues to determine the purport of the Nirṇeya works. The Śruti, Smṛti and Purāṇas are Nirṇeya works and ~~the~~ the Brahmasūtras since determine the import of them, are called Nirṇāyakas. In the Sūtra, as already mentioned, Bheda is pointed out clearly. But in the Purāṇas, in some places, there are some statements that appear as if denying the distinction of the soul from Brahman. And this portion contradicts with other, declaring distinction. At this juncture, one has to seek the help of the Nirṇāyaka works. The Nirṇeya works are original and Nirṇāyakas are the commentaries of them. So Nirṇeyas are to be understood in the light of the Nirṇāyakas.⁶⁷³

To give the correct import of the term Bhida of the Bhāgavata verse Trayāṇām... Vādirāja gives the seven senses (meanings) of the term Bhida.

- (1) Anyonyābhāva - difference of one object from another;
- (2) Bhrama - misunderstanding
- (3) Virodha - opposition
- (4) Buddhibheda - differentiating the opinion or splitting the mind;
- (5) Nāśa - destruction
- (6) Mīśraṇa - mixing up and
- (7) Asaṁyoga - separate existence.⁶⁷⁴

Vādirāja also states the stock examples of these. Difference between pot and cloth is Anyonyābhāva. Mistaking rope as snake involves Bhrama. Mitrabheda is taken to mean Virodha. Buddhibheda as one of the four devices. Nāśa, destruction of a pot and the like. Mixing up of water and milk is an example of Vimśraṇa. Bifurcating or standing apart of the two armies is an example of Asamyoga. In this way, the same term conveys the seven meanings.

The Bhāgavata verse Trayāṇām... does not convey the sense of identity. This verse is spoken by Maitreya or Vidura. The same sage elsewhere in the Bhāgavata itself has made it clear that Lord Viṣṇu is supreme.⁶⁷⁵ And even the episode of Bhṛṅgu's meeting all the three deities proves that Lord Viṣṇu is supreme. Vādirāja critically examines the verse in the light of the meanings given above. He states that the term Bhida, in the verse, does not deny the Bheda of the variety of Anyonyābhāva. And hence, it does not prove the identity of three deities. He proves the fact that there is no difference of opinion so far as the three deities are concerned. The term Bhida denies the difference of opinion. It conveys that though there is gradation and difference among Lord Viṣṇu, Brahmā and Rudra in respect of nature, there is no Buddhibheda (difference of opinion) among them. Vādirāja interprets the verse skilfully and establishes that this verse does not prove any identity among the three deities.⁶⁷⁶

To know the purport of the Purāṇas and to understand their importance, it is necessary to know their types. Here Vādirāja gives the list of all the Purāṇas with classification and stresses that the purport of the Sātvika Purāṇas stands unquestioned, significant and evident. So contradiction, appearing in others, is to be warded off in the light of the Sātvika Purāṇas. The author also says that the three-fold nature of the works, means and fruits, proves it evidently that three deities are neither equal nor identical. So the above verse does not convey either equality or identity, but it does convey the sense of absence of difference of opinion among them.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE BHĀGAVATA VERSE BHAYAM DVITĪYĀBHINIVESATAḤ..

The Advaitins contend that the Bhāgavata verse Bhayam dvitīyābhiniveśataḥ syāt...⁶⁷⁸ affirms their identity and establishes the unreality of the world. But this contention is not correct. The Dvitiya word indicates world constituting body, family, property and the like. The word Abhiniveśa means attachment. So, the import of the verse is that one has to worship the Lord devotedly, setting aside or giving up close attachment towards worldly objects. The Dvitiya that involves world is not at all denied. So the expression does not agree with the view that 'the belief in the existence of other than Brahman' causes fear. If the word Dvitiya is

meant that there is nothing other than Brahman, then the statements- Bhajettam bhaktyā... and the like serve no purpose.⁶⁷⁹ Because, here duality of Sevyā-sevaka or master and servant variety is clearly stated. Brahman is the first who is Sevyā or the Master and the devotee, who is servant is the second. So the second, other than Brahman, is not denied, and it is also not unreal. The word Gurudevātātma in the above verse, which is an adjective of Budha, directs that his mind should get fixed on Guru and Devatā. But it does not convey the sense of identity. Therefore, with close observation and examination, one has to understand the import of the expression as it is done in the Sūtra Ākāśa-lingāt (I.1.22) where the popular and general sense of the word Ākāśa is given up and the word is aimed at conveying the sense befitting to the context as Brahman.⁶⁸⁰

It is hinted that more attachment towards this world causes fear. To be free from the fear, one has to worship the Lord with his mind fixed on preceptor and deity, with true devotion. So the world, second and other than Brahman is not unreal. We find a good number of statements in the Bhāgavata and in other Purāṇas that instruct the devotees to give up the attachment towards body, family property and the like on account of their being defectful in so many respects and to worship the lotus feet of the Lord.⁶⁸¹

In all these, it is hinted that close and more attachment towards worldly objects causes fear. But nowhere either Ātmaikya or Mithyātva of the world is stated. In the above verse, Abhiniveśa or attachment of the Dvitiya or the world is said to be given up and not the Dvitiya itself.⁶⁸² If the attachment to the world is given up, the world will not become unreal like a house will not disappear or will not become unreal when the house-holder renounces it and resorts to asceticism.

Really, all these things, including Kāla, Karman and the like are under the control of the Lord.⁶⁸³ But it is because of the close attachment, they appear as if under the control of the souls and thus cause fear. But they are not at all unreal and their very existence is not at all negated.

INTERPRETATION OF THE BHĀGAVATA VERSE AHAM BHAVAN NA CA...⁶⁸⁴

In the Śāstras and the Purāṇas, we find a good number of statements, that appear as if conveying the sense of identity. But they are to be understood in accordance with other statements in the same context.

People, who are more affectionate to each other say 'I am thou,' 'Thou are I' and the like. Here both of them cannot be identical. These are the statements spoken out of intimacy, affection, faith and the like.⁶⁸⁵ Vādirāja opines

that on such occasions if the primary sense seems to be irrelevant, then it is to be understood accordingly on implication.⁶⁸⁶

In the Bhāgavata, Haṁsarūpī-paramātmān preaches Prācetus as 'I am thou, not distinct, thou are I, wise will not see any distinction between us two.'⁶⁸⁷ Here Haṁsarūpī-paramātmān is the preceptor and Prācetus is the pupil. Paramātmān, appearing in the guise of a brahmin, teaches Puranjana, who is now born as the daughter of Vidharbha king. Puranjana is Jīvahamsa. Paramatmahamsa is teaching to Jīvahamsa. The apparent identity stated here, should not be taken literally. The preceptor, to ensue devotion in the devotee and to show his deep affection, has spoken thus. Here Paramātmahamsa is Bodhaka-teacher and Jīvahamsa is Bodhya-taught. The Lord wants the soul to get uplifted who is eligible for realizing the philosophical truth but who is now deeply engaged in worldly enjoyments. One is Sarvajña or Omniscient and another is Ajña or ignorant. So how can there be identity between the two? To realize the philosophical truth, complete harmony of the mind is essential. And this expression is uttered to gain the complete harmony of the mind.

Or, it may be Bimba-pratibimbabhāva or relation of

reflective and reflection that is hinted here. Paramātmahamsa is Bimba and Jīvahamsa is Pratibimba. This relation denotes the togetherness of the two and not the identity. Jīva must always live together with Paramātman. So it is also an expression of the relation of Avinābhāva or togetherness of the two.⁶⁸⁸

Vādirāja gives a wonderful order of interpreting and argues that the above verse states the difference and not the identity. If the first pause is given at Ahaṁ bhāvan na ca then that conveys 'I am not thou,' the second sentence is as Tvam anyah that means 'Thou are distinct.' Here the distinction of Paramātmahamsa from Jīvahamsa is stressed. Third sentence is as Tvayi eva ahaṁ instead Tvamevāhaṁ. Then it conveys that the Paramātman is the Antaryāmin or the Indweller in all the souls. Thus, the distinction of the soul from the Paramātman is the primary import of the verse.⁶⁸⁹

Further, it may be asked as to why the Indweller God is not seen? The reply is that He is seen by great seers who are graced with divine sight as it happened in the case of Arjuna.⁶⁹⁰ And they, although knowing the joint presence of God and the soul, do not hold their identity. They have the knowledge of distinction^{of} these two as a swan has in respect of milk and water.

The advice of sage Nārada and also concluding verse of that Purāṇianopakhyāna affirm that Jīvahamsa, being thus initiated and enlightened by Paramātmahamsa gained real knowledge and by His favour became contented.⁶⁹¹ This result also determines that the soul is distinct from Brahman.

KAPILĀKHYĀNA ALSO PROMISES BHEDA

The Kapilākhyāna occurring in the Bhāgavata (third chapter) wherein Lord Kapila preaches to His mother Devāhuti, also destablishes the Bheda.

The Lord Brahman is distinct from Pancabhūtas or five great elements, Indriyas or senses, Manas or mind and also from the Prakṛti, the primary cause of all these. Though He is the primier-source of very existence and the action of all these, He is totally distinct from them like the fire, though the cause of the origin of flames, sparks, smoke and the like, it is distinct from them.⁶⁹²

As the terms Indriyas or senses, Manas or mind and the like also stand for conveying their respective presiding deities, not only Jadājada-bheda or distinction among matters and Jadeśvara-bheda or distinction between matter and God are hinted at but other types of Bhedas are also suggested.

The sentences quoted here are the explanation of the Śruti passage- Ekamevādvitīyam Brahma.⁶⁹³ These declare that Brahman is distinct from both Jīva and Jaḍa. The Śruti- Neti netītyātmā gṛhyah.⁶⁹⁴ states that the Lord is neither Jaḍa or matter nor Jīva or soul. He is distinct from both. This is the import of the Śruti- Ekamevādvitīyam. The term Advitīya does not convey the sense of identity as the Advaitins contend.⁶⁹⁵

The Advaitins hold that Brahman is Akhaṇḍa or partless, Nirākāra or formless, Nirguṇa or attributeless and Avācya or inexpressible.⁶⁹⁶ All these views have been refuted in this Bhāgavata verse. The terms 'Bhagavān' and 'Brahman' prove that Brahman is not Akhaṇḍa as the Advaitins contend.⁶⁹⁷ He is not Nirākāra since He has blissful form. He, being Brahman, is not Nirguṇa as the term Brahman means an embodiment of infinite auspicious attributes.⁶⁹⁸ He is not Avācya as He is the premier object of the import of all the Śrutis. And because of this, Brahman is distinct from souls and matter.⁶⁹⁹ This distinction will also continue to exist even in release.

BHEDAŚRUTIS ARE NIRAVAKĀŚAS AND ABHEDAŚRUTIS ARE SĀVAKĀŚAS⁷⁰⁰

Vādirāja argues that, it cannot be said that the Bheda-śrutis convey the sense of distinction due to the Matibheda

or the difference of thinking. Matibheda is possible when there is Svarūpabheda or difference in nature. It is due to the Svarūpabheda, sense of distinction originates. And in the case of the Abhedaśrutis, they can be understood as conveying Matyaikya or unity of opinion, Sthānaikya or unity of place and the like.⁷⁰¹ Therefore, the Bhedaśrutis are Niravakāśas, having or affording no scope for different explanation. The Abhedaśrutis are Sāvakāśas, since there is scope to understand the import through different explanation or implication.

In the Śruti- Dvāsupana sayujā sakhāyau.⁷⁰² the term Sakhāyau conveys that the two have harmonious mind and the term Sayujau states that both of them are abiding in the same place or body. Here Paramatman and soul are the two birds dwelling in one place with harmonious mind. Here there is no scope to convey Matibheda or difference in intellect and Sthānabheda or difference in place. Bheda is distinct due to Svarūpabheda or difference in nature. The dual number specifies that one is distinct from another. And it does not harm the beauty of the sense of Matyaikya and Sthānaikya.⁷⁰³ Not only this, the passage also states the mutually contradictory and opposing attributes of the soul and Brahma. In the soul, there are Baddhatva (boundness), Apūrṇatā (imperfectness) and Karmaphalabhoktṛtva (the state

of experiencing the fruits of his deeds) whereas in Paramātmān, there are Nityamuktatva, Pūrṇatva (perfectness), and Anātrtva (the state of non-eating the fruits of deeds). Because of this, the distinction between the soul and Brahman is real and eternal.⁷⁰⁴

And in the case of Aikyaśruti, resorting to Lakṣaṇā and setting aside the expressed sense of identity, one has to understand Matyaikya or unity in thought, Sthānaikya or unity in place and the like as in the statements like: They two got together. Here there is no scope for sense of identity.⁷⁰⁵

As there is scope and chance to Matyaikya, Sthānaikya and the like, with regard to Aikyaśrutis there is no scope to realize Matibheda, Sthānabheda and the like with regard to Bhedaśrutis as shown above but the Svarūpabheda. Hence the Bhedaśrutis are Niravakāśas and the Abhedaśrutis are Sāvakāśas.

INTERPRETATION OF THE ŚRUTI NITYONITYĀNĀM...⁷⁰⁶

Vādirāja, gives an elaborate interpretation of the passage Nityo nityānām... and shows that this Śruti states the Pancabhedas (five varieties of distinction) clearly.

The passage conveys that the Lord is Paramanitya or supreme eternal among eternal entities. He is Paramacetana or supreme being among all sentients. He brings qualified souls in Samsāra and affords them chances for pursuing their respective Sādhana. He blesses with eternal bliss to those who are eligible. He, being Indweller of all, is the Lord, who is Independent in all respects. Wise always realize the distinction and not the identity with the Lord. Others do not realize this truth and hence they cannot have the realization of the Lord. It is the very nature of wise that helps them to realize the Lord. Those, who have the realization of the Lord, will attain blissful release. And others have no release due to having no realization.⁷⁰⁷

The passage also affirms that the Lord alone is the independent Doer and none else. The Kartṛtva cannot be ascribed to nescience since it is insentient. This also proves that Brahman is not the material cause of the creation, but He is the efficient and independent cause (Nimitta and Svatantra kāraṇa). So there is no question of superimposition of Kartṛtva and the like on Brahman. Here, it is also explained that the Lord is Omnipotent, Supreme and Omniscient as He, having the knowledge of all entities (including primeval matter), creates the world sportively. So He is Independent and others are dependents.⁷⁰⁸ Neither He is

initiated by others nor He seeks the help of others in creating the world. The souls are dependent, since the very survival of them is under His control and Bhogabhoktriva the state of experiencing the enjoyments is also blessed by Him.⁷⁰⁹

The repeated description of the attributes such as eternity, sentiency, being alone, doership promises that this Śrutī is an interpretation of so many other Śrutis. Ekatva referred to above establishes Abheda between the original form and incarnations of Brahman.

This passage also proves the concept of Viśeṣa, a Sāmarthyaviśeṣa (or distinct power) of the Lord and that helps for Bhedavyavahāra.⁷¹⁰ There is no difference between the Lord and His incarnations, His limbs and His qualities. All are of the same nature. The attributes are absolutely real and not ephemeral.

The Lord, with Indwelling-forms dwells in all. His realization is essential for attaining the release. The liberated ones are identical neither with Brahman and nor with each other. They are distinct from Brahman and also from each other. Brahman is the Lord of the released souls and they have the direct vision of the Lord always. This will never get affected.⁷¹¹

In this passage, the five-fold difference is clearly stated. It is also described that the liberation is of the nature of bliss. And this liberation can be attained through the knowledge of five-fold difference. The sentence Anupaśyanti dhīraḥ indicates that there is gradation with distinction with regard to the nature of the souls in respect of their Aparokṣajnāna or realization. The graded souls are of three kinds and there is mutual distinction among them. The sentence Kāmaṁ yo vidadhāti indicates the plurality of the means of enjoyments and also mutual distinction among them. Yo vidadhāti states that the Lord is the creator of them, and it proves the distinction of matter from Paramātmā. This also proves the Jīvaśaḍbheda or the difference of the souls from the insentient matter.

As Brahman is the Creator of all means of worldly enjoyments, like Brahman, reality of the world is also proved. It is also stated that the world is eternal in the form of a current. Hence, the process of creation is beginningless.⁷¹²

Vādirāja opines that, this passage not only established Pañcabheda, Tāratamya and the like, but at the same time denies the scope for Advaita-views such as identity between the Lord and the Jīva, identity of Jīva and Jīva, non-reality

of the world, attainment of the Mokṣa through Niṣprakāra-
jñāna, nature of Jīvas, Akartṛtva to Cit and the like.^{712A}

THE IDEA OF JĪVABRAHMAIKYA IS CONTRARY TO REASON

Those, who opine that there being no soul other than Brahman, may say for argument's sake that just as Ākāśa is one and by limiting adjuncts like Ghaṭa, Maṭha and the like it is referred to as Ghaṭākāśa, Maṭhākāśa and so on. Similarly, Brahman also with the limiting adjuncts, assumes the role of Jīva. Or else, it may be also be contended that the Jīvas are the Aṁśas or parts of the all-pervasive Brahman like the water in pots fetched from a lake.

In the Advaita, Brahman is partless (Akhaṇḍa). The Advaita does not accept the view of Aṁśa and Aṁśin in ultimate sense. What all reference about the Aṁśa and Aṁśin, seen in the Advaita works, relates with empirical level (Vyāvahārika).^{712B} Vādirāja, disregarding the view, opines that even this idea of Aṁśa and Aṁśin of the Advaita does not help to prove the identity between Brahman and soul.

If it is argued that the Brahmāṁśa in a body is Jīva, then it is as good as saying that Brahmāṁśa outside the body is not Jīva. Then the very proposition as Brahman is all-pervasive becomes unsound. Further, there cannot be

movements in limiting adjuncts such as body since according to the Advaita, Brahman is Niskriya or passive. And Upādhi or limiting adjunct being insentient cannot have activity of its own. Thus the movements of living bodies become impossible.⁷¹³ As there is no movements or shaking in Brahman, it cannot be said that the body gets activated by Brahman. Thus, the body should become stable or movementless. So the Brahmaṇśa, abiding in a body, since having no movement cannot hope to go to heaven and the like. One may raise the question that movements are seen in grass and the like that are insentient when they are shaken by wind. But the reply is that it is not the mere wind that moves and causes movements in other things, but it is the presiding deity of the wind, being sentient, that moves and causes the movements in others. This is possible provided Kriyāśakti is admitted in presiding deities unlike the Brahman of the Advaitins.⁷¹⁴

As their Brahman is Niskriya, Brahmaṇśa must also be likewise Niskriya. Further it cannot be argued that it is because of the association of Upādhi, viz., body Brahman becomes active since Upādhi is Jada. It is by its nature always inactive.⁷¹⁵ And it is also not reasonable to hold that the body at every step, gets associated with the facing Brahmaṇśa, leaving the one behind. Because, in that case, at every step, there are to be deaths and births.

The above given exposition may seem to be unconnected to the topic of the content. But by close observation and deep reflection, relevancy of the exposition may be known. The main aim of the exposition is to tackle the concepts Upādhi or limiting adjunct, Abheda or identity and also Niskriyatva or actionlessness of Brahman. On the basis of Upādhi, neither Abheda of Jīva from Brahman nor the Niskriyatva of them be established. By admitting Upādhi, Deha etc., if Kriyāśakti is taken to be attributed to the Jīvas or Brahmāṁśas then the above shown absurdity and irrelevancy are inevitable. In this way, the given exposition is connected with the context.

If the souls are taken to mean Brahmāṁśas in the limiting bodies, then there cannot be movement in the souls. Because, when Brahman is motionless, how can there be motion in Brahmāṁśabhūtajīvas, souls being parts of Brahman. Without the movement of the mud or clay, the pot made of that cannot move. Further, the body being limiting adjunct, product of nescience cannot generate action since the very nescience is insentient.⁷¹⁶

So it is not proper to state that the souls are Brahmāṁśas and thereby there is identity between them. Because, if that would be the case then as in Brahman according to

the Advaita, there should not be any activity in the souls which are Brahma parts. And it is evident that activity is seen in souls. So even according to the Advaita, the fact that souls are parts of Brahman, cannot be proved. And if, with regard to the limiting adjuncts parts of Brahman are explained, then they differ from body to body, as it is to be bigger in an elephant and very small in ants and the like. This optional view seems to be similar to that of Jainism.⁷¹⁷

It is specified in the Brahmasūtra- Utkrāntigatyāg-
tīnam⁷¹⁸ (II.iii.19) that the soul of atomic nature is having dependent powers. Hence, the soul cannot be identical with Brahman. Nor is it Brahmāṁśa.

In the Advaita, Brahman is motionless by nature. And this Brahman becomes active or will have the motion when getting associated with adjunct by name Māyā.⁷¹⁹ But it is impossible. Because, the nature does not change. He cannot be active even when there is the association of thousands of limiting adjuncts. Because adjunct being insentient is itself inactive. How can then it cause action in others like the space in pot cannot cause movement since by nature it is actionless. In the same way, when Advaita holds that Brahman is actionless by nature, there cannot be action by

any means. Advaita cannot explain the soul of Brahmāṁśa either Sthirāṁśa or immovable part or Caladāṁśa or movable part because the soul, by nature, is inactive. The soul can neither be immovable part of Brahman nor movable part of Brahman. If immovable part is taken then that would be against the experience. If it is taken as movable part, then It should have the movement. But according to them, Brahman has no movement.⁷²⁰

Thus, in the Advaita neither immovable part nor movable part proves identity. According to the Sūtra and the Śruti, soul is Anu.⁷²¹ The souls attain different bodies as they are associated with fruits of actions of each body. Being dependent they are distinct from each other. This is the state of soul. On the contrary, Brahmachaitanya or supreme soul is altogether distinct. It exists always and everywhere. It is pure by nature. It is also indestructible, partless, unchangeable, eternal and firm.⁷²² When Brahman is indestructible, partless etc., there is no chance to have pieces of It as souls. So souls are not at all parts of Brahman.⁷²³ Since Brahman is alone and partless in the Advaita, the very contention that the souls are parts of Brahman is untenable. Nānātva in respect of parts cannot be proved also.

Brahman is endowed with Vicitraśakti or supreme power. He is Omniscience Lord of all and soledoer. He is of the minute as well as of the biggest form. Though, Brahman is capable of doing anything, He never thinks to misuse His power and thereby to assume the form of a soul.⁷²⁴

Now it cannot be argued that the Avidyā or nescience responsible for Brahman assuming the form of the embodied soul, contributes power. Because it is insentient. As nescience is insentient, it has no power of discrimination. So it cannot assist Brahman in assuming the state of soul. Thus, it is evident that neither Brahman can itself assume the form nor can nescience make It to assume the soul form. Brahman of the Advaitins being Nirviśeṣa or qualityless, cannot have the power which is also a quality. If It would have the power of that kind, It could have driven out the nescience making It to assume soul form. And nescience, being insentient cannot have this power. If that is admitted then the Advaita would be similar to that of Nirīśvara-sāṃkhyas.⁷²⁵ Further, it cannot be said that power can be attributed to the qualified Brahman (Ajñāna-Avidyā-viśiṣṭa Brahman). Because originally this power is neither in Brahman nor in nescience. Further, Brahman, knowing the nescience to be the cause of undesirable and unworthy things and of sorrowful transmigration does not want to get associated

with that. Or Brahman will be inactive until It is moved by nescience and It is inactive again when nescience dissociates from Brahman. Thus, really speaking, the idea of a qualified Brahman is baseless and unreasonable. In this way, Brahman assuming soul form is totally impossible.⁷²⁶ Therefore, souls are not parts of Brahman. They are distinct beings. In some Purāṇas they are described as parts of Brahman, but it is to be understood in the sense of dependence. They are under the control of the Lord. The incarnations, Matsya, Kūrma and the like are His Svarūpāṁśas or nature forms. Hence, there is no distinction among them. Whereas there is distinction from the souls as they are not Bhinnāṁśas.⁷²⁷ Therefore, the contention that Brahman assumes the state of soul is not correct. As Brahman is all-pervasive and soul is Anu, the distinction is evident. And this distinction is existing since beginningless time and it will continue to exist even in release. Hence, identity is by no means possible here and hereafter.⁷²⁸ Though the body as adjunct gets destroyed, it is not possible for soul to become identical with Brahman since as already proved, both of them possess opposing aspects like the water in the jar and in the lake. When jar is destroyed the water will not become identical with the water of the lake.

Now, if Brahman is regarded as actionless then Brahma-

formed soul must also be actionless. Because, the inexpressible Māyā or Avidyā of the Advaita, dividing Brahman in parts, cannot contribute power of action to the parts.

In the Dvaita view, there is no difficulty, since it is the Śaktiviśeṣa or His unique form, the very nature of Brahman, which helps Him to assume Anu as well as Mahat forms. So He is of infinite forms. The same Śaktiviśeṣa proves the movement in Him. But the souls possess only Anu form and dependent Kriyāśakti. Hence, both of them are absolutely distinct from each other.⁷²⁹ And Brahman, abiding in all the souls, is one and the same and is perfect and Supreme. He is one with Mahat and all-pervasive form and is infinite with indwelling forms. All these forms are perfect in respect of qualities and are identical with original form. The Śruti- Antarbahīṣca tatsarvamvyāpya nārāyaṇasthitah^{729A} specifies that all-pervasive Brahman is the Nārāyaṇa.

If the Advaitins hasten to admit the possibility of two all-pervasive sentients, then the very concept of the Advaita stands uprooted.⁷³⁰ So they cannot accept two all-pervasive sentients. Therefore, the illustration of Ghaṭākāśa, Maṭhākāśa given at the beginning to prove their identity, is irrelevant. The souls do not conform with the size of the bodies in the form of adjuncts. They are Anus. The

above analogy may be taken with reference to the incarnations of the Lord as His all forms are all-pervasive. Souls are like dust particles flying in the space. So they were not, are not, and shall not be identical with Brahman.⁷³¹

When Brahman is beginningless and souls are beginningless, distinction among them must also be beginningless as explained above. So identity cannot be thought of between soul and Brahman. It cannot be stated that though difference is beginningless, it gets destroyed at the attainment of the release because difference is not the product of nescience. Though, nescience is destroyed by knowledge, difference remains as it is.

The Ekajivavādins hold that it is due to Avidyā, that Brahman attains the soul form. Soul is one only and it is its nescience by which the entire world is fabricated.⁷³² When its nescience is removed, there originates Aikya Jñāna as 'I am Brahman' and by this, the fabricated world ceases to exist. The Bahujīvavādins⁷³³ hold that it is due to the manifold Upādhis, that Jīvas or Brahmāṇśas are many. By knowledge of identity when once adjuncts get destroyed, they getting liberated, attain Brahmasvarūpa. For them the world becomes unreal.

Vādirāja attacks the view of the Ekajīvavādins. He

argues that if the settlement in the world is unreal and sentiency abiding in so many bodies, is unreal, then how can the movements etc., causing effects be possible? The unreality cannot move.⁷³⁴ If it is a real serpent, then only it can move. In the same way, sentiency as well as their living world must be real, then only movements and the like are possible. And it is not the delusion that causes movements. The whole world cannot be taken to mean to be ephemeral. If souls are superimposed on one Cetana, then they are unreal. Since being superimposed, they cannot be the parts of real Brahman and there is no question of identity.⁷³⁵

Further, the view of the Advaitins that all the souls are parts of Brahman is also not tenable. The distinction between soul and Brahman is evident since beginningless time. This is because of their inherent distinct nature and distinct constituent characteristics. Souls, living in different bodies, are of Anu size. Brahman is all-pervasive and of Mahatparimāṇa. Brahman is Niskriyā (not affected by the effects of actions). He is perfect. Souls are active and are affected by actions. And as a result of that they move from one body to another and from one place to another. Brahman is defectless. Souls are defective, and as a result of that they suffer. So such souls cannot be parts of Brahman or forms of Brahman.

The Advaitins hold that like the difference of ether in the pot, souls or parts of Brahman possess unreal difference caused by adjuncts. But it is wrong. Because, if difference is unreal, then the very attributes and effects of that also become unreal. If difference is real, then only all those will be real. Ghaṭākāśa does not move wherever pot moves. And ether in the pot does not get stained with the water or dirt in the pot. It is unaffected like the ether all-pervasive. So if soul would be a part of all-pervasive Brahman he should be actionless and unaffected like the ether in the pot. But the soul is not like that. He is active and hence associated with the fruits of actions. So the distinction between him and Brahman is real.⁷³⁶ As dust particles, distinct from ether and each other, fly in the ether that is motionless and unchangeable, the souls too, distinct from each other and from Brahman and being active abide in all-pervasive Brahman. If they were to be parts of Niskriyabrahma, they must not be Sakriyas as said above. If dust particles are parts of ether, then they must be actionless. But they are active. Since, they are not the parts of ether. In the same way, souls, being active, are not the parts of Brahman.⁷³⁷ If the difference is regarded as empirical, then the very concept difference would be meaningless since it will be no more after the knowledge of sublation. If the knowledge of

sublation is negated then the very idea of empirical difference is useless.

So the five-fold distinction is evident to the experience of all. The state of distinction safeguards the very code or law of worldly behaviour. Let all entities be distinct, soul as a soul, matter as matter and the Lord as the Lord. There is no need to change their states. The soul need not become matter or Brahman and vice-versa. As the scriptural passage- Dhatā yathā pūrvamakalpayat^{737A} states, the creation and the like which are subject to the five-fold distinction, have been continuing since beginningless time and they will continue till eternity.⁷³⁸ The release is not attaining the identity with Brahman but attaining the experience of inherent bliss always.

The passage Sarvam khalvidam Brahma⁷³⁹ refers to the entire world of sentients and the insentient matter. So there is no scope to drop matter from the meaning of the term 'Sarvam.' If at all Aikya or identity is to be understood, let it also be understood with matter and not only with sentient souls. Because, 'Sarvam' stands for all including souls and matter. So the passage is to be understood as everything is under the control of the Lord or everything gets or comes into existence from the Lord. Otherwise,

the contention of proving identity of souls and Brahman leads to undesirable identity of matter with Brahman.⁷⁴⁰ So identity of souls is untenable. If identity between Brahman and soul is voluntarily forced, then all the above mentioned auspicious attributes stand untenable or they are to be abandoned.

Vādirāja taunts at the Advaitins saying that it is good on their part to prefer identity with matter to ^{the} identity with souls since that does not make their Brahman to assume soul form and to undergo the hardships of transmigration. Whereas, it cannot be applied in the Dvaita view, since matter is not capable of doing anything. It is inactive by its very nature.

According to the Advaita, Brahman is Svapraśāsa, that means Svavedyatva is there is Brahman (absence of self-knowledge or realization).^{740A} It can also be found in matter. So identity with matter is preferable. Vādirāja taunts that the passage- Sarvam khalvidam Brahma becomes fruitful and relevant only when the Advaitins hasten to relate entire identity comprising the identity with souls and identity with matter that lead to unreality of the world and also unreality of souls (beings). Let Brahman be also unreal as being. When everything is unreal, then like bondage,

release will also be-come Mithyā.⁷⁴¹ This leads to the absence of Bandha and Mokṣa. Both Mokṣasādhana and Sukha-bokṛtva also become Mithyā. Then the state of Mukti would be nominal and for only name sake.

Thus, if Jīvaikya is related then it appears attributing Baddhatva and Muktatva to Brahman and entire Jagat becomes Mithyā. But the Śruti conveys that the entire world of Jīva and Jada is under the control of Lord.⁷⁴²

In this way the Advaita-interpretation of this Śruti is irrelevant and contradictory to valid perception. It is also against the Brahmasūtras. Bādarāyaṇa has shown the way of interpreting the scriptural statements wherein there appears contradiction as in Mṛdabravīt, Āpo'bruvan and the like.^{742A} Here neither the clay nor the water can speak but it is the presiding deities of clay and water that speak. Thus, relevant to the context and to the valid perception, the Śrutis are to be interpreted.

The expression of Ātmaikya is against the^{to} very code and conduct. It is neither pleasing nor a real one. Paundrak Vāsudeva was severely punished since he declared that he was the Lord. It was neither pleasing nor a real one.⁷⁴³ The entities that are ever distinct like the cloth and the soap cannot be identical. So the expressive meaning of the Śruti since sublated, should not be accepted as the real meaning.

Even the liberated souls are not identical with each other nor with Brahman. Because, Brahman is ever-released and they are the gainers of release. So there cannot be identity. And their distinct living is also evident. There may be little bit similarity in some aspects like the explicit form: (Sārūpya).⁷⁴⁴ Further,^{they} although gain the required knowledge may not attain release. The gained knowledge has no impact on them. It is only those who are eligible in nature. Knowledge is the only instrumental. In release, similarity may be termed only in respect of the state of liberation. That means one is liberated like others.⁷⁴⁵ Identity cannot be referred to even in case of Sāyujyamuktas. They are also distinct from Brahman. It is true that in the cavity of the heart of the soul, there abide both the soul and Paramātmān. Paramātmān is ever-released and Omniscience whereas Jīva is Niyamya, Alpañña and the like. Jīva experiences the Karmaphala, whereas Paramātmān does not. So both of them are distinct⁷⁴⁶ like milk and water. Thus on account of possessing contradictory qualities and distinct nature since beginningless time cannot be stated and proved.⁷⁴⁷

The Advaitins Īśvara cannot be identical with the world of Jīva and Jada. If Īśvara is incapable of the creation of the world then the world cannot come into existence, since

without Kartā there cannot be any Kārya. If He is taken to be capable, even then He cannot be identical. Because, creator and created must be distinct each other.⁷⁴⁸

If the import of the Śruti is taken as real, then the Advaitins admitting the identity of soul and Brahman, would become unreal and not a reality. And if the import of the passage is taken to be unreal, then also the Advaita becomes not a Tattva that means, it cannot be proved. Since Nirguṇa passage declares Brahman as attributeless identity cannot be talked of.⁷⁴⁹ In spite of knowledge, if nescience is attributed to Brahman there cannot be this Samsāra since that nescience cannot influence and affect the inherent knowledge. If nescience is negated in Omniscient Lord, then also there is no Samsāra (effect of nescience).⁷⁵⁰ Nescience cannot be referred to in Brahman. If nescience is possible, then only soul form, and the like become possible. As it is said that knowledge of Brahman is real, He cannot have the nescience (ignorance) (knowledge of comprehending limited objects). If He has no knowledge, then also there can be no nescience since, absence of knowledge does not lead to or result into any apprehension of nescience.⁷⁵¹

Thus, there is not even a single argument, relevant in all respects, that can help the Advaitins to prove and to assert identity. The very idea or concept identity is against the valid experience and contradictory to the import of the Śrutis.

ADVAITA IS CONTRARY TO NĪTI OR MORAL CONDUCT

The Very idea of contending the state of Brahman in

soul by the Advaitins, is mere superimposition which means false. It is not a real one as poor people sometimes behave as if they are rich ones. As richness appears superimposed and hence false, in the same way, attributing the state of Brahman to soul is false. The very idea appears as an ignorant hopes to get popularity and for that sake he boasts of himself to be too great. But as by mere boasting he will not become great. The soul too, who is very mean and ordinary cannot attain the state of Brahman though boasts of himself.⁷⁵² Hoping to be identical with Brahman is as good as hoping to become the Lord of Lakṣmī, mother of the entire world, which is most unworthy and sinful.

Vādirāja, attacks directly the practical behaviour of the Advaitins saying that the Advaitins, during pleasure, plenty and prosperity declare that they are gods; but when in distress and difficulties, they fall at the feet of gods and worship them. If they themselves are gods then they need not prostrate and worship others.⁷⁵³ The Advaitin treats himself as Brahman but for getting rid of the sin resorts to sacred rivers to take the holy bath and also rushes to the temples. Thus there is no harmony and propriety in his declaration and actual behaviour.

EXPOSITION OF TRIVIDHĀMŚA

Even when Amśāṁśi form of relation is taken into account, it is not possible to prove and establish the identity of Jīva and Brahman. This Amśāṁśi form is three-fold - Bhinnāmśa (different part), Bhinnābhinnāmśa (different-cum-identical part) and Abhinnāmśa (identical part).

Vadiraja states that as souls are considered Bhinnāmśas, that does not help for or convey the identity. The same word, when referred to different objects, does not lead to either equality or identity. But it conveys the sense of distinction. E.g. the word Hari stands for both frog and Viṣṇu. The mere reference of articulation does not create any greatness in frog the greatness that is found in Viṣṇu. It clearly shows the distinctive features of both. With regard to distinctive features souls are distinct parts unlike Matsya, Kūrma etc., that are recognised as identical forms or forms of nature. Thus the usage of the same word does not convey the same sense with regard to all objects denoted by it.⁷⁵⁴

In the Bhāgavata-Ete Svāmśakalāḥ puṁsaḥ kṛṣṇastu bhagavān svayam⁷⁵⁵ and Jīvāḥ sarve kalāḥ kila, it is clearly stated that identical forms are the incarnations of the Lord Nārāyaṇa such as Matsya, Kūrma. These are the forms of

nature of the Lord. Hence they are identical. Here, they are explained as Svāṁśakalāḥ of the Lord. Whereas souls are explained as only Kalāḥ.^{755A} Thus, it is evident that forms (parts) are of two types: Identical form and distinct part.⁷⁵⁶

Distinct part is the part which is under the control of the Lord. This constitutes the entire world of soul and matter. Different-cum-identical part relates to half-similarity as in the thread and the cloth. Identical form is total similarity and identity that is seen in the incarnations of the Lord.⁷⁵⁷ Souls are distinct parts as they do not possess the auspicious and great qualities of the Lord. Since the incarnations of Matysa, Kūrma and the like are endowed with those great qualities, they are Identical forms.

So far as different-cum-identical part is concerned, it refers to matter entities. Because, in these, the cause of distinction is both perceived and unperceived. There is half-similarity between cloth and thread. Even at the destruction of the entity, half-similarity exists, hence there is both difference and identity. Though cloth is destroyed it is not other than the thread, hence both difference and identity are seen. In this way there are three types in

Aṁśas.⁷⁵⁸ So far as the view of different-cum-identical part is concerned, there is no difference of opinion. There is such a difference only in respect of different part and identical forms.

The Śruti Pūrṇamadah pūrṇamidam purnātpūrṇamudacyate...^{758A} states that like Mūlarūpa or Original form, the incarnations of the Lord are complete in all respects. The Pūrṇatva or perfection is the very constituent characteristic of the nature of the Lord. Hence, they are Identical forms. The above adjective specifies that there is one more Aṁśa which is not perfect and that is the soul. And it is distinct part. Apūrṇāṁśa is never identical with perfect form. Difference is evident between two entities possessing distinct nature. So soul is distinct part.⁷⁵⁹ In this regard, Vādirāja refers to the Bhāgavata verses^{759A} that declare soul as distinct part. The Brahmasūtra- Aṁśo nānāvyapadeśāt (II.iii.43)⁷⁶⁰ makes it clear that soul is Brahmāṁśa in the sense he is distinct part as soul seeks the help or support of the Lord in many ways. Since having relation with Brahman he is stated to be of Brahmāṁśa.

The Advaitins admit the view of Atyantābheda (absolute identity). In that case, the very concept or usage of Aṁśaṁśa-bhāva becomes meaningless. In their view there is

no possibility of Aṁśa and Aṁśih. Both must be Aṁśins, then there can be no identity which means Advaita. In the Dvaita view, Aṁśāṁśibhāva, with regard to the forms of nature, wherein absolute identity is evident can be referred to, with the help of Viśeṣa. The Aṁśāṁśibhāva, in case of the forms of the nature, necessitates difference with identity. That means in Aṁśāṁśibhāva of the forms of nature, difference and identity (with Viśeṣa) go together. They do not stand separated.

This relation of part and whole, together with difference is there in release. Both relation of part and whole and absolute identity cannot be there in one place (except in the case of Svarūpāṁśa). The two are contradictory to each other.

BAHUVĪVAVĀDA

"Śaṅkara does not support the view that the Jīva, limited by Avidyā, is one, as Avidyā is one. For if all souls are one Jīva, then when the first case of liberation occurred, mundane existence should have come to an end, which is not the case. Brahman, limited by the different inner organs born of Avidyā, becomes divided, as it were, into many individual souls, but the difficulties of the relation of Māyā and Avidyā to Brahman led to the formulation of

several theories in the later Advaita, of which the two chief are ekajīvavāda, single soul theory, and aneka jīva-vāda, or the theory of a plurality of souls."⁷⁶¹

The Advaitins' identity is not possible even when souls are held to be many. According to them, souls with distinct Karmaphala are born in different births.⁷⁶² The fruits of their actions and the change in the time of their liberation and the like negate the mutual identity. The identity, not prevailing in Saṁsāra, cannot be attained due to the above mentioned causes. The distinct nature of the souls in Saṁsāra does not get changed. In release though they attain Brahman, do not become identical with Brahman, like the threads though conjoined together in cloth do not become identical with each other. Their distinct nature remains unharmed and unchanged. It is simply the change of state from Saṁsāra to release. So the contention of mutual identity of souls, held by the Bahujīvavādins, is also untenable.⁷⁶³ Further, soul attaining identity with Brahman will lose his soul form and hence how can he be identical with other souls since all souls do not attain liberation at the same time.⁷⁶⁴ Therefore, souls are not identical each other in Saṁsāra as well as in release. Neither reason nor Śruti supports the view of the Bahujīva-vāda.⁷⁶⁵

Mutual identity of Jīvas would be contrary to reason. Because in that case, experiences of pleasure and pain should be uniform and simultaneous to one and all. If parts of Brahman were to be in many bodies, then there must be uniform experience. But experience changes from one to another.⁷⁶⁶ The idea of mutual identity leads to so many irrelevant and unworthy trends in society.

If identity in nature of souls is going to be admitted then that causes Karmasankara. That means, sinful acts or may be meritorious deeds of one, should accrue to others. But it does not happen. On the other hand, difference in actions seen everywhere, cannot support and overcome the defects of identity whereas it proves ultimate distinction. So if identity in nature is going to be admitted then that causes so many problems as stated above. And explicit elements such as body, action, since being unreal and superimposed, cannot contribute to different dealing. Only that which is not superimposed can be taken as the means of different dealing. And that is the very nature. And if it is taken to be identical then it cannot survive the different dealing but leads to manifold problems. So this nature must also be taken to be distinct to each other and infinite in number. They are not at all parts of Brahman. There is no identity in nature among them. The facts such as difference

in the experience of pleasure and pain, difference in the source of birth and the like affirm that sentiency, seen in each body, is distinct. And that is the difference in nature.⁷⁶⁷

All the sentient souls are distinct and they are the very Sākṣins of their experiences of pleasure and pain. The Sākṣin is the sentient. Thus distinct sentient souls abide in different bodies.⁷⁶⁸

The idea of mutual identity is also contrary to worldly experience. When one is in distress, nobody will identify with him. But only in the state of prosperity, every one prefers to become one with him. This shows that identical dealing is nominal and is not real. It is the difference which is ultimately real.

REFUTATION OF EKAJĪVAVĀDA⁷⁶⁹

"As opposed to anekajīvavāda, there is ekajīvavāda, according to which there is only one self who being bound by one avidyā is deluded and the same Jīva is released when that avidyā is destroyed. Thus, according to this theory there exists only one self (jīva) and all other Jivas and phenomena are but the figments of imagination of that single jīva. The existence of other jīvas and the phenomena, according to this theory, may be compared to the dream of that single jīva."⁷⁷⁰

The Advaitins, who hold the view of Ekajīvavāda, state that soul is one and one only. Owing to the impact of nescience, he sees the entire world of soul and matter as a dream. For him, like a dreamer, the entire world is unreal. The others and matter entities are all superimposed by that soul, product of ignorance.

Vādirāja attacks this view severely and says that the Ekajīvavādin has no discrimination. Because, there would not be distinction in day and night for him. Further, his view suggests that all others are as good as dead in this world, though in reality they get engaged in various activities, assume different bodies one after another. Vādirāja opines that the Ekajīvavādin is not any different from Cārvāka or materialist. Because, the latter declares body as the soul and the former attributes the lone sentiency to himself. For him others are neither souls nor Brahman. The very existence of all others is like a dream. It also appears that he alone attains the liberation after the destruction of nescience. This view looks that even the great Yogins Śuka, Vāmadeva and others, are deprived of attaining release. According to this view of Ekajīvavāda, all kinds of worships, gifts, sacred baths and even sacred studies and hearings are also to be futile since they happen to be the occurrences in a dream.


The view is absurd to the extent as it states that it is the single soul, sleeping since beginningless time due to nescience has created everything.⁷⁷¹

In the Ekaīvavāda the preceptor must be fabrication of nescience. And this preceptor should teach the knowledge of identity to his disciple for the destruction of nescience. If he has the knowledge of identity, he himself should get destroyed first since knowledge of identity removes the nescience. Then, who else is to teach the disciple. Or, at the time of preaching, preceptor will be destroyed and the disciple gaining knowledge of identity attains the release. Thus, the self-destruction to the preceptor and release to his disciple. Thus, it is absurd. If knowledge of identity of preceptor who is product of nescience of single soul, is taken to be real, then the Advaita view as dream is illusion, will be no more.⁷⁷²

The world, if compared with the dream, affirms plurality of souls and not single soul.⁷⁷³ When the entire world is the dream of one soul, then to justify it, there is no other dream as an illustration. Thus, inference also does not support in this regard.⁷⁷⁴ So, illustration of dream is not tenable to the world in establishing the view of single soul. The Brahmasūtra- Sandhye śrṣṭirāhahī (III.11.1)

states that the aspect of dream determines the plurality of souls. It also mentions that the dream is fabricated by the Lord according to the mental impressions of the souls and hence it is real. In the waking state the things, created last for longer time whereas the dream-creations exist for a limited time as they are the products of Vāsanā (Manosaṃskāra)⁷⁷⁵ or past impressions.

If all dreams are witnessed by that single soul (that means if the entire world appears to him alone as a dream always) then to whom could there be waking state? Because both these states cannot be there at the same time.⁷⁷⁶ If both the states are taken together, that leads to the defect of Ātmāśraya or sitting on one's own shoulder. Therefore, waking and dream states must be mentioned distinctly.⁷⁷⁷ And in dream, if the plurality of the souls is admitted then also there cannot be the Ekajīvavāda. Further, if presence of the souls, in different bodies, is admitted, then also the Ekajīvavāda would stand no more. If their presence is negated, the view of Ekajīva would be false, since the functions of all the bodies become unreal.⁷⁷⁸ If there is no any Viśeṣa (special difference) between different body and jar, then jar, though matter, must have cognition and sensation. If bodies are distinct from matter (Jīvasahita), there cannot be single soul.

Now, other bodies cannot be the sources of experience to that Ekajīva as his body; because to enter into other bodies for experience he has give up his body and then has to enter other bodies. This causes undergoing the deaths and the births repeatedly for experience. So all the bodies cannot be held as the sources of experience of that Ekajīva.⁷⁷⁹ The singular usage  as soul in Śruti, Smṛti and in other works does not restrict the number of the souls but that stands for and represents the entire group of that class.

Vādirāja says that dream state of the single soul cannot be ^{the} state of wakefulness. Because, in the state of wakefulness, it is evident that there are opposing and variegated functions of different souls with different bodies. If souls are not in those bodies, then functioning must not be seen. So the state of wakefulness does not support the view of single soul.

Further, if the Ekajīva is the creation of Māyā or nescience, then creation of others would also be of nescience. This Māyika cannot see others, products of nescience. And as there are no other souls, no one is there to see the illusory creation. If existence of other souls, is admitted then the view of the Ekajīva would be no more.⁷⁸⁰

Now, it cannot be contended that the Ekajīva is the part of Brahman himself and others sentients acting in different bodies are his Aṁśas, because, he being present in one body, cannot enter into other bodies with his parts. He is not a Yogin to possess and to enjoy that power. Thus, the Ekajīvavāda is not agreeable.⁷⁸¹ So it is to be accepted that, since beginningless time, there have been infinite number of souls, dwelling in infinite number of bodies.

Vādirāja questions as to how the body of the Ekajīva is created. It must be created by some one else. And he, himself, cannot be the creator of the body before its coming into existence. So it must be accepted that, the body is created by someone i.e., Brahman. In this case, why only the body of this soul is created by Brahman? And if not created then, let all the bodies, including the body of the Ekajīva be Nirjīvas. This argument also opposes the view of the Ekajīvavāda.

Now, Vādirāja says that creatorship of the world cannot be attributed to this Ekajīva as it leads to contradictions in view of the Advaita also. Because, in the commentary of benedictory verse of an Advaita work, by name Tattvadīpana, the creatorship of the world is discarded

in the case of Brahmā and Rudra, stating that they do not have the ability of creating the world as they are the products of nescience. Tayoh karyatvena nikhilajagatsarjana samharana samarthyaabhavat.^{781A} So how can there be the creatorship of the world to this Ekajīva, who is also a product of nescience and is plunged in the mundane world full of sorrow. Further, the Brahmasūtra has also not only denied the creatorship of the world to the soul, but has clearly attributed it to Brahman.⁷⁸²

Vādirāja raises the doubt as to whether the Ekajīva sees the world fabricated by him? As Advaita denies the creatorship to the cit element, he cannot fabricate the world. ☐ It is the mind and other organs that have created this world. So the Ekajīva cannot see the world. Thus, the very idea of Ekajīva and his fabrication of the world is contrary to reason and experience. Really the soul, who is in atomic form cannot create this wonderful creation. It is possible to All-pervasive One and He is the Brahman.⁷⁸³

BHEDA OR DIFFERENCE IS REAL

The Advaitins to defend their concept of identity advance ☐ an inference as follows: Bhedo mithyā bhedatvāt candra bhedavat. Difference is unreal since being the fact of difference like the difference appearing in two moons.

This inference, no doubt, favours the Dvaita also with the change of the Dr̥ṣṭānta (illustration) Bhedo na mithyā bheda-tvat brahmamokṣavat. Difference is not unreal since being the fact of difference like Brahma and Mokṣa.⁷⁸⁴

The Advaitins refer to the illustration of moons. In the Advaita, Brahman is Sat and the world is neither Sat, nor Asat and nor even Sadasat. It is Inexpressible and other than these three.^{784A}

Really speaking, in the Advaita, release cannot be identified with Brahman.

Bheda between Brahman and Mokṣa is not Mithyā. Even when removal of nescience is taken to be release, it will not be unreal. Because, Avidyānāśa is the fifth in the enumeration of Vastusattā. As already mentioned world is the fourth one (Sadasadvilakṣana) and removal of nescience being distinct or other than the world becomes the fifth one. Prior to the removal of nescience, there is unreality (illusoriness). But release being the counter positive of an ~~absence~~ of that removal of nescience must be other than illusory means real. And this release is distinct from Brahman. Because, like release, Brahman is not the Prati-yogin of Avidyānāśa (removal of nescience). Like this

difference among souls is real. Further, to substantiate this inference, the Śruti declares that Satyam bhidā satyam-bhidā satyambhidā.^{784B} That means, difference is the ultimate reality. If difference in the illustration is regarded as illusory then the Advaita Brahman also becomes illusory (unreal).⁷⁸⁵

The inference that is framed by the Advaitins is not relevant. That means it will not prove Bhedamithyātva. If difference is real in the illustration (difference between moon and its reflection) then, that leads to Sādhyaavaikalya-causing deficiency with regard to probandum (Mithyātva). If difference is illusory (unreal) in illustration due to absence of difference, that leads to Sādhanavaikalya-causing deficiency with regard to reason - Bhedatva. Thus the inference does not prove unreality of the world. When the reason-difference is not there, how can it prove the Mithyātva. Like an unreal serpent cannot cause any fear. So difference remains unaffected and [vindicated].⁷⁸⁶ Thus, illustration does not help to prove unreality of difference. And moreover difference, cited in the illustration will not be an illustration to prove unreality of difference. Because, difference between superimposed moon and unsuperimposed moon is quite real. And this real difference cannot help to prove Sādhya viz., unreality of difference. Difference of

real moon from the unreal one is the very characteristic of that.⁷⁸⁷ A real entity is competent to be existent with its nature. Neither the objects caused by the illusion of a particular entity, and nor the others are identical with this. The distinction of it from other entities is evident and unsublated. In the illustration, the moon unsuperimposed, is distinct from the moon superimposed and also other real entities like the pot and the like owing to their respective individual nature. Therefore, difference is real. When difference is real in Sapakṣa (similar instance) or illustration, then unreality of difference cannot be proved in the subject of a syllogism.⁷⁸⁸ In instance, if difference of unreal moons is taken into account, then difference could not be a reason, since there cannot be difference in unreal entities. Hence, the reason cannot prove the unreality. The Dvaita view does not relate Bheda of Anyonyābhāva in respect of unreal entities.⁷⁸⁹ If an entity is non-existent, then its non-existence is not at all related or is not referred to in respect of negating Tādātmya with other entities. There is no question of relating Anyonyābhāva in this respect. When it is stated that a hare's horn is non-existent then, there is no need to relate its Tādātmyābhāva (identity) with any other entities. So in these cases, the question of difference does not arise. Thus, if both the

moons are unreal like a hare's horn then the question of difference does not arise. And this leads to Sādhana-vaikalya.⁷⁹⁰ Therefore, there cannot be difference of mutual non-existence with regard to unreal entities. One may say that this is a jar and not a cloth. Here, there is mutual non-existence (difference) between jar and cloth. If mutual non-existence (difference) is admitted in respect of non-real entities also, then it amounts to attributing reality to them. So difference of Anyonyābhāva type cannot be related with unreal entities - two unreal moons like hare's horns.⁷⁹¹

At this point Vādirāja examines in detail the four types of Abhāvas, or non-existences- Pratīyogin, Anuyogin and the like. The discussion is so deep and observation is so close. He defends that in the presence of Bheda of Anyonyābhāva, there cannot be any other Abhāvas (negation). The three Abhāvas can be mentioned with reference to their respective counter-co-relates.

So there is no distinction among non-existents. Hence, ^{superimposed} in illustration, the difference of/moon is unreal. This leads to Sādhana-vaikalya in Pakṣa. Difference is possible if there were to be two unsuperimposed moons. The reason- Bhedatvāt is not evident or Prāmāṇika in illustration and

hence causing Sādhanaivaikalya (causing deficiency with regard to reason or means or proban) cannot prove unreality of difference (Sādhya) (probandum).⁷⁹²

Therefore, difference that is superimposed is not a difference at all as silverness in superimposed silver. Hence, difference that is not superimposed between two real entities is real one. In the illustration of the above inference, as moons are unreal or superimposed, difference cannot be thought of and related to. And if that difference is taken to be real, then that causes Sādhyaivaikalya and as unreal leads to Sādhanaivaikalya. Thus, inference itself, is defective.⁷⁹³

Now, Vādirāja deals with another inference of the Advaitins. The Advaitins may frame the inference as: Vimata ātmānaḥ paramātmānaḥ na bhidyante ātmatvāt paramātmavat. The souls are not different from supreme self since having the nature of self like supreme self. This inference is most irrelevant. It is not an inference at all. If it is taken to prove Paramātmatva to soul, then mother can be proved as having wife-hood as there is the common property of femininity (Strītvā) in both of them. Therefore, the mere fact that the presence of a single common property cannot be taken to be a means to prove identity between

any two entities.⁷⁹⁴ This type of inference may pose irrelevancy in arguing and treating a cow as a dog owing to the common property of Paśutva, pot as cloth since having the common property of Dravyatva and so on. So the reasons related here, are fallacious. The defect of fallacious experience is same with regard to the Hetu-Ātmatvāt in inference. So, that cannot prove the nature of Paramātmā that is identity in the Jīva.⁷⁹⁵

In fact, the inference always seeks the support either of perception or of testimony. Independently, it cannot give rise to any conclusion. Hence, it is called Anumāna i.e. following other.⁷⁹⁶ The inference, cited above by the Advaitins is not agreeable to both perception and testimony. It is contrary to the perception of personal experience: "I am not Omniscient" and also to the scriptural passages- Dvāsuparnā⁷⁹⁷ and the like that are Niravakāśas.⁷⁹⁸ The concept of the Advaitins' identity is not at all evident. As the Advaita admits Sarvamithyātva including of scriptures, all scriptural statements conveying identity are unreal, hence identity is also unreal. In the Dvaita view, these statements are taken as not conveying identity. So there is no identity.

Vādirāja advances perception, inference and other

evidences in favour of difference between soul and Paramātmān. Inference is, Vimatau jīvaparamau na abhinnau viruddha-guṇavatvāt tuhinadahanaiva. Embodied soul and Supreme Soul are not identical owing to the possession of opposing and contradictory properties as possessed by snow and fire. This inference is agreeable in all respects. The personal experience as 'I am not Omniscient' constitutes perception. And in the Vedas difference is stated repeatedly through Niravakāśa passages.⁷⁹⁹ In this way, the knowledge of difference is evident and rests on defectless authorities.

The liberated souls cannot be identical with the Lord. The Bhāgavata verse- Na yatra māyā^{799A} states that there is no Māyā in Vaikunṭha. This statement negates the material relation and at the same time affirms the difference in release. When nescience is not there, there cannot be the impact of its effects.⁸⁰⁰ The released are distinct from the Lord and from each other. Thus, the abode of the Lord is away from nescience. It consists of plurality of released souls. It is absolutely real. Difference therein, is also absolutely real.⁸⁰¹

Vādirāja holds that not only the difference is evident but reality of difference is also evident (reality of difference). As difference is proved by the authorities, so also

is reality of difference proved. In this respect, Vādirāja gives the inference. Vimato jīvaparayoh bhedah paramārtha saṁ avidyāstamaye satvāt yathā ātmā. Bheda of Jīva and Paramātmā is absolutely real since being present even after the removal of Avidyā like Paramātmā. This inference proves the reality of difference. The reason, as being present even after the removal of nescience has the support of Āgama.⁸⁰² The statements Na vai sa ātmatmavatāmadhīśvaraḥ bhagavān vāsudevaḥ...⁸⁰³ etc., state that the Lord never gets affected by getting incarnated and the like. The Brahmacaitanya is not the same as Jīvacaitanya since not having the experience of sufferings. He cannot also be identified with matter on the ground that it too has no experience of sufferings. In the insentient, the very question of enjoyment or experience does not arise. Because, He is sentient whereas matter is insentient. The Lord, being Parama Cetana and having no experience of sufferings is distinct from soul and matter.

Vādirāja, referring to the inference of the Advaitins, advances the Anumāna to prove difference. Vimato jīveṣa-bhedah paramārthasat anāditvāt brahmavat. Difference of soul and Paramātmā is real since being beginningless like Paramātmā. Here Anādi-Hetu is accepted by the Advaitins in enlisting the beginningless entities. So as Brahman is

Anādi and Satya, Bheda is Satya since being Anādi. Anādi means not only as that which is beginningless but its presence must be since time immemorial. Otherwise, a hare's horn which is total non-existent, would also become beginningless.⁸⁰⁴ The inference cited above is defectless, since the Hetu-Anāditva is present in similar instance and subject and not in contrary instance. Thus the absolute reality of difference is evident.

THE SCRIPTURAL PASSAGES DECLARE THE DVAITA VIEW

The scriptural passages- Anādimāyayā supto yadā jīvaḥ prabudhyate^{804A} and others declare inherent and ultimate difference. It is stated that soul being caught hold by wrong knowledge has been sleeping. When he gets the Māyā destroyed that means when Māyābandha is removed by the grace of the Lord, he will attain release. Thus, identity is not at all traced. Distinction between the Lord and soul is clear.⁸⁰⁵ Here Jīva is the knower and the Lord is the known. So there cannot be any identity between the knower and the known.⁸⁰⁶

In the passage Advaitam paramārthataḥ,^{806A} the term 'Advaitam' negates the inner distinction within Brahman. It also promises that there is no any other entity which is either superior or equal to Brahman.⁸⁰⁷ Thus these

scriptural passages will not help the Advaitin to prove the doctrine of identity between soul and Brahman. So without any alternative he has to accept difference as real. In some places,⁸⁰⁸ the Lord is glorified as Nityamukta (eternally liberated), Jīva is described as bound. As Nityamuktatva and Baddhatva are opposite to each other, there cannot be any identity between eternally liberated Brahman and bound soul. The state of release in the case of soul, indicates the Sārūpya (similar form) in release. The liberated soul will have the similar explicit form as that of the God.⁸⁰⁹

Vādirāja asks- "Is this identity true or false?" If this identity is not true, then difference is true. If identity is true then second question follows: "Is this attribute distinct or not?" If the very attribute identity is distinct, then the Advaita is given up. If it is not distinct then, it cannot be an attribute of Brahman, since Brahman, in the Advaita, is attributeless.⁸¹⁰ The Advaita cannot talk of identity between attribute and attributed because, the fact of being attributelessness is the only aspect in the Advaita. Therefore, neither identity can be treated as attribute nor can it be identified with Brahman.

Even in the Advaita, Brahman and souls, due to

possessing opposite attributes cannot be declared as identical. And with Lakṣaṇā, setting aside opposite attributes if identity is going to be traced then, that is not at all the identity of soul and Brahman.⁸¹¹

But in the Dvaita view, there is no difficulty. Because, the identity between attribute and attributed is accepted. Attributes such as Omniscience, Omnipotence and attributed Brahman are not distinct. They are identical. The concept of Viśeṣa helps for different dealing. It is the power and also the very nature of Brahman with the help of which distinction is hinted at for dealing without difference in reality or essence. The expressions such as bliss of Brahman, knowledge of Brahman and others do not convey the sense of difference, since they are the very nature of Brahman.⁸¹²

AIKYA ŚRUTIS ALSO DO NOT SUPPORT THE ADVAITA

The scriptural passages, that are considered as Aikya srutis or 'identity-passages' by the Advaitins, and which are regarded as Tatvāvedaka or truth-imparting by them, also do not convey their identity and unreality. The passage Ekamevādvitīyam⁸¹³, Neha nānāsti⁸¹⁴ and others are interpreted by the Advaitins to prove the illusory nature of the world. But really speaking, all these passages neither

prove the illusory nature of the world nor negate the difference between Brahman and the world consisting of sentient souls and insentient matter. The Advaitins hold that these passages declare Brahman as Abadhya or unsublated and world Badhya or sublated. This interpretation does not prove the identity but on the other hand proves the difference between Brahman and the world, since difference is evident between sublated, and unsublated.⁸¹⁵ Even if the world is taken to mean sublated, its reality cannot be eliminated, because, as nature of attributed (of Brahman) its difference is real. If the world is taken as identical with Brahman, then also the world would be real. Thus, neither identity nor unreality can be proved with the help of these statements. The above interpretation of the Advaita ultimately insists on either to accept both Brahman and the world as real or both as unreal. In the same way the passage Tat tvam=asi^{815A} does not state the identity between Brahman and the soul. The term Advitīyam in Ekamevādvitīyam does not negate the second other than the Brahman. But it certainly proves that Brahman is different from the second, that is world. Here, neither the non-reality of the second viz., the world is stated nor the identity is stressed. It is like the expression Anaśva. Anaśva, though something other than Aśva, or horse, does not negate the existence of others. In the same way the term 'Advitīya' also does not

deny the presence of the second viz., the world.⁸¹⁶

And moreover, the term 'Advitīya' is stated in the context of Pralaya world-dissolution. So it also means the Pragabhāva and Pradhvamsābhāva or the prior and posterior non-existence of the world. And that entity to which the prior and posterior non-existence are connected, cannot be subject to Atyantābhāva, total non-existence. And further this 'Advitīya' term does not refer to or indicate the illusory nature of the world.⁸¹⁷ Though the concept unreality of the Advaita, conveys the sense of absence in the past, present and future, the expression Advitīya in the context of Pralaya cannot be understood in that sense. The term 'Advitīya', with reference to the annihilation, suggests that the created world would be absent only during annihilation. It is evident that it was present before annihilation and will be present after annihilation. In addition to Brahman, Time is also present during annihilation. And it is indicated by the term 'Agre'.⁸¹⁸ So with reference to the annihilation, presence of Brahman alone cannot be asserted but also of the world. That means, the world, in the term of primal matter (Mūlaprakṛti) is present even during dissolution.^{818A}

The passage Neha nānāsti kincana does not prove either

identity of the soul and Brahman or does not negate the presence of something other than Brahman. It denies the difference in Brahman and His attributes, between original form and incarnations and so on.⁸¹⁹ The same view is being asserted by the passage Yadeveha tadamutra.⁸²⁰ The passages Neha nānāsti kincana⁸²¹ and Īśāno bhūtabhavyasya⁸²² are beginning and concluding statements respectively. In both neither identity nor unreality is declared,⁸²³ but identity of Brahman and His attributes, supremacy of Brahman and reality of the world are promised. Vādirāja interprets the passage Neha nānāsti... and says that the Lord is the Ādhāra (supporter) for all.⁸²⁴ The relation of supported and supporter is evident.

THE PASSAGES BRAHMĀHAMSMI AND OTHERS ALSO SUPPORT BHEDA

Vādirāja quoted not only statements that openly declare Bheda, but also those that have been misinterpreted by the Advaitins.

The Advaitins' contend that the passage Brahmā ahamasmi⁸²⁵ states the identity. But it does not. The term 'Brahma' which is in the nominative case, can also be understood in locative sense. Then the expression becomes as Brahmāni ahamasmi that means "I am solely dependent upon Brahman." Vādirāja states that it can also be interpreted

as 'I am controlled by Brahman.'⁸²⁶ Thus, there is no scope for identity. And moreover, to explain such statements one has to take into consideration the context also. The above passage occurs in the Aghamarṣaṇa hymn. Here a qualified soul is offering prayer to God Varuna. The relation of the worshipped and the worshipper is clearly visible. Hence, the soul cannot be declared as identical with God. Vādirāja asks the Advaitin as to whether he intends to declare himself as identical with Jyoti or flame since in the same context there is the statement as Paramjyotiḥ. The Advaitin cannot get himself identified with the Jyoti. So the context is more important. Further, Brahma aham asmi cannot be interpreted as soul is identical with Brahman. Because in the Advaita 'Aham' does not stand for Jīva Caitanya as it is Avācya.⁸²⁷ So 'Aham' stands for Antaḥkarana which is insentient. Now the identity can be traced provided this insentient Antaḥkarana is real. But it is not real as it is a product of nescience. Therefore, Brahman cannot be identified with this insentient matter.⁸²⁸ Thus, the above statement does not help to identify Brahman with soul. The above passage Brahma aham asmi is nothing but a repetition of the Bṛhadāraṇyaka passage viz., Aham Brahmā asmi.⁸²⁹ since all the scriptural passages (including this) are the declarations of Brahman Himself at the time of world-creation. He cannot intend Himself to get identified with

someone else. So here also, the sense of identity cannot be understood.

The passage Sarvam khalvidam brahma⁸³⁰ does not state the identity between Brahman and matter. Because, Brahman is sentient. He cannot be identified with matter which is insentient. Further, it does not state the identity between Brahman and Soul, since both possess opposite attributes. Brahman is Omniscient whereas soul is knowing little. Therefore, there cannot be identity between the two. Vādirāja promises that the term Sarvam in the passage above conveys the all-pervasiveness of Brahman. His all-pervasiveness is declared here. He, who is all-pervasive and sentient, cannot be identical either with soul of Ekadeśavyāpi or with matter which is insentient. If the sense of identity is understood then, that would become contradictory to the beginning statement of that context Tajjalan iti santassan upāsita.⁸³² In the beginning statement, the relation of worshipped and worshipper is clearly mentioned. And always it is fact that worshipped is distinct from worshipper. The worshipped is not only distinct but also superior to worshipper. Then only the relation of Upāśya-Upāsaka has some meaning. This not only promises the distinction but also the gradation. Therefore, the passage Sarvam khalu cannot be interpreted as against this beginning statement.

So the sense of identity should not be understood here as the Advaitins unfortunately do. The passage is to be understood as 'Brahman is all-pervasive', 'Everything is dependent upon Brahman' and so on. It also means that the entire world is controlled by Brahman. So there is no question of the identity and unreality. And further it does not hold good if Sarvam is meant as Sarva brahmadhiṣṭhāna, since it is not the intended meaning in this context.⁸³³

INTERPRETATION OF EKAVIJÑĀNENA SARVA VIJÑĀNA

The Śruti- Utaṭamādeśam...⁸³⁴ does not help the Advaitin to prove his conception of identity.⁸³⁵ The meaning of the statement seems to be that by gaining the knowledge of one, everything becomes known. According to the Advaita, Brahmajñāna is Nisprakāra (absolute-without distinction). That means it is Cimātrajñāna or knowledge of sentiency. It is the knowledge of Brahman devoid of all attributes and it is only an element of consciousness. But this knowledge which conveys nothing, cannot help to know the knowledge of all other entities. The knowledge of other entities is possible only when there is some relation with that. But Vadiraja argues that as Brahman is attributeless, the knowledge of It is also not concrete and definite. So it does not help to gain the knowledge of all other entities.⁸³⁶

And moreover, in the Advaita, Brahman is Adhiṣṭhāna or substratum and the world is Āropita or superimposed. The superimposed one cannot be known by the knowledge of the substratum. The substratum Brahman is real and it cannot give the knowledge of the superimposed world. In fact the knowledge of Brahman sublates the knowledge of the superimposed snake. In the Advaita, the superimposed one is non-real. And if it is held that the knowledge of Brahman helps to gain the knowledge of the non-reality of all other entities, then it amounts to saying that the gained knowledge is the knowledge of the absence of all other entities. This type of knowledge cannot be considered as knowledge. Such negative knowledge may be termed as Abhāvajñāna of all other entities and not the knowledge of all other entities. So the interpretation of the Advaitins of the passage Eka vijñānena sarva vijñāna stands baseless.

The correct interpretation of the passage is that as there is similarity in respect of reality and the like, between Brahman and the world of souls and matter, the knowledge of Brahman helps to gain the correct knowledge of the world.⁸³⁷ Here this interpretation of similarity neither proves the identity with Brahman nor the unreality of the world. As the Lord is Supreme, All-pervasive and so on, His knowledge is enough to realize the entire reality.

The knowledge of Brahman gives rise to the correct knowledge of the world as the world is created by Him. This is also explained in all Itihāsas, Purāṇas and other authoritative texts.

The Viśvarūpa darśana episode of the Gītā and the universe being shown to Yaśodā by Lord Kṛṣṇa substantiate the above view. Akūra also makes it clear in the Bhāgavata, that all the wonders of the world are the wonders of the Lord.⁸³⁸ Therefore, to know Brahman, is to know the entire world. Further, he, who knows Brahman well, is blessed by Brahman. It is the grace of the Lord that makes us have the knowledge of the whole world. So it is all-knowledge. As Brahman is Omniscient, Supreme doer, Supreme being and so on, and as entire world is created by Him, His knowledge indeed promises the knowledge of entire world.⁸³⁹

So the passage does not mean that as there is nothing other than Brahman, the knowledge of it leads to the knowledge of non-reality of all others. The correct import of the passage is given by Vādirāja as above. Vādirāja ensures that as the knowledge of Brahman is vast and the knowledge of the world is limited, the knowledge of Brahman makes easy to have the knowledge of all other entities.

INTERPRETATION OF TAT TVAM ASI AND REFERENCE OF ŚRUTI-
GĪTĀ AND OTHER ILLUSTRATIONS
IN SUPPORT OF THAT

The scriptural passage which is widely quoted as the most stable evidence for stating the identity as understood by Advaitins is the passage- Tattvamasī.⁸⁴⁰ Vādirāja opines that it does not help the Advaitins to prove the identity between the embodied soul and Brahman. The real import of the passage is that soul is similar to Brahman in some respects in a limited way.⁸⁴¹ That does not promise complete identity between the two as made much of by the Advaitins.

Vādirāja asserts that this type of expressions are common but nowhere the sense of identity as understood by the Advaitins is conveyed. The expressions like 'He is a tiger' and 'The boy is fire' do not convey the sense of identity. But, it is the similarity with regard to some common properties that is intended here to be conveyed. Similarly, in the case of Tat tvam asi also, the sense of similarity in some respects is to be taken into account. The context in which the statement is taught clearly indicates the difference and not the identity.⁸⁴² The preceding statement also does not talk of identity. The Śruti- Satā somya tadā sampanno bhavati⁸⁴³ states that there is no identity between the soul and Brahman but it is the soul who has close proximity with Brahman at heart

during deep-sleep state. During waking state and dream state the soul abides in the eye and the neck respectively.^{843A} So the passage Tat tvam asi that falls in the same context, cannot be understood in favour of identity of the Advaitins.

Another passage of the Bṛhadāraṇyaka Upaniṣad viz., Prājñenātmanā sampariśvaktah⁸⁴⁴ also corroborates the view of the above Śruti that the soul has close proximity with Brahman during deep sleep. Here also the identity is not expressed.⁸⁴⁵ The Sūtra- Susuptyutkrāntyorbhedena (I.iii.42) also proves that there is difference during deep sleep and Utkrānti.⁸⁴⁶ If difference is not accepted then there should not be any difference between deep sleep and release.

The expressions or terms 'Manas' and 'Prāṇa'⁸⁴⁷ that are used in this context, denote soul and Brahman respectively.⁸⁴⁸ And it is also explained that one is regulated by the other. That means soul is regulated by Brahman. The relation of regulated and regulator shows that there is difference between the two. He, who is regulated seeks the shelter of the other.

In the passage of 'Tattvamasi' itself, nine illustrations are given to substantiate the reality and the relation between 'Tat' and 'Tvam.' And all these nine

illustrations clearly state that in this context difference of soul and Brahman is intended. The illustration of salt and water ascertains the difference. When salt is put in the water, no doubt it melts and becomes invisible, but it does not become identical with water. Likewise when rivers flow and join the sea it does not become identical with them. The river-waters do retain their separateness and individuality. The human capacity is limited and as such not enough to distinguish the river-waters from the sea. But that does not rule out the fact of their existing separately. It is only the confluence and not the identity. In the same way when bees collect the flower juice from different flowers and when they form into honey that does not mean that juices of different flowers have attained identity. Their separateness remains unharmed. The close examination makes it clear that they have the variegated tastes. Thus all the nine illustrations of that context prove difference and not the identity.⁸⁴⁹

Vādirāja critically views the context wherein the passage occurs. When Śvetaketu, son of Uddālaka, developed arrogance thinking himself to be highly learned, then this was realized by his father and the father wanted to remove the arrogance of the son. And with that intention he taught this truth. The father wanted to convince the son

that the knowledge is vast and mere recitation of the Vedic hymns would serve no purpose and hence one had to understand the real import of the Vedas. So, his intention was not to convey the identity but the difference. Then only he could make his son give up his arrogance. If the sense of identity was intended then there was no scope to reduce the arrogance, of Śvetaketu. Thus, the context also affirms that the passage declares the difference and not the identity.⁸⁵⁰ The Advaita prefers to have implied meaning with regard to two terms Tat and Tvam. That means the primary meaning of the terms should be given up. As these two terms indicate the opposite attributes, the Advaita prefers secondary meaning to primary meaning. Because, unless and until the sense of opposite attributes is given up, it is not possible to talk of identity. But Vādirāja says that resorting of Lakṣaṇā or indication could be enough for one word- Tat as it shows an element of Laghutva or easiness in interpretation. There is no need to adopt implication for two words- Tat and Tvam. Now the word Tat can be understood as Tatsadrśa or (similar to that) Tatsambandhi (or related to that). This would be the most befitting meaning to the context. So implication may be applied to only one word and not to both the words.⁸⁵¹

Further, the term 'Tat' may also be understood as

Tasmāt. In that case, the meaning of the expression would be 'Thine very existence is from Him!' The sense of Akhaṇḍārthatva also is not tenable and agreeable to the context. Because, it makes the entire discussion and exposition baseless and futile. Vādirāja refers to the statements of the Bhāgavata such as Śrutigītā⁸⁵² and others and proves that even the Bhāgavata does not declare identity between Brahman and the world. He asserts that even Viṣṇusahasra-nāma indicates difference.

Bhedo mithyā bheda tvāt candrabhedavat. The inference advanced by the Advaitins has no support of either perception or of testimony. Hence, the very inference is likely to be disproved by counter inferences. Jīveśvarabhedaḥ pāramārthika saṁ mahāpralayeṣi urvāyā tatvāt brahmavat. The very attempt of resorting to indication is unnecessary. Because, in that case, Brahman, giving away all His auspicious virtues, would have to be declared as only consisting of sentiency. Even this also does not help to prove the supposed identity. And moreover, perception also openly proclaims the difference.⁸⁵³ Thus, identity cannot be established.

Vādirāja, by the by, attacks the epistemology of the Advaita and remarks that according to them the Pramāṇas are

not real as they are the product of nescience. As nescience is unreal, its effects must also be unreal. Therefore, these Pramāṇas or means cannot establish the identity. While resorting to Lakṣaṇā in Tat-tvamasī the Advaitins cite the example So'yam devadattah. But actually, neither the meaning of Saḥ nor of Ayam is given up.⁸⁵⁴ So this example does not confirm their arguments. Because, in the example cited above, Saḥ stands for and denotes time and the place of the past and Ayam stands for and denotes the time and place of the present.

Further, Vādirāja opines that Viśiṣṭaika cannot be traced here. And that will not indicate Viśeṣaṇaika necessarily. Because, in the example Dandī devadattah and Kuṇḍalī devadattah. Devadatta is one and the same but not Danḍa and Kuṇḍala. So Viśeṣaṇaika cannot be held.⁸⁵⁵

Now if the aspect of sentiency alone is to be meant with regard to the terms 'Tat' and 'Tvam,' then the very usage of expression would be meaningless. Not only that, the expressions, then by no means convey the sense of identity. And if sentiency alone would be there, then also, the question viz., as to the identity of what remains unsolved.⁸⁵⁶ Therefore, as already mentioned the sense of similarity in certain respects between Brahman and the soul

is intended here. This passage also relates the relation of reflective and reflection. Brahman is reflective and soul is reflection. This relation promises certain similarity and also the control of reflective over reflection.^{856A} Thus, the passage Tat tvam asi does not ascertain the identity.

In defence of this, Vādirāja mentions the episodes of Pauṇḍraka Vasudeva and of Mūcukunda and shows how the knowledge of identity brought about self-destruction and the sense of difference led to upliftment⁸⁵⁷ respectively. He also discusses the Gītā statement Īśvarohamhambhogi...⁸⁵⁸ and defends that knowledge of identity will not help to attain the liberation.

THE ŚRUTI DVĀSUPARNĀ... SUPPORTS BHEDA

The passage Dvāsuparnā sayujā sakhāyau...⁸⁵⁹ does not mention identity whereas it clearly states the difference. Here both soul and Brahman are described as two birds abiding in the same tree in the form of physical body. Jīva is described as one who eats the karmaphala whereas Brahman does not. The very fact of eating and non-eating clearly shows the distinction.⁸⁶⁰ There even the Advaita interpretation mentions the two birds as soul and Brahman. Vādirāja opines that the mention of two birds as soul and

Brahman in the Advaita commentary, ascertains the difference and not the identity.⁸⁶¹

The Advaitins interpret the passage with the help of the Adhyāhāra of two words as Pāramārthika and Vyāvahārika. They explain that, in the empirical state, one and the same Brahman eats the fruits of his deeds and in the real state, one and the same Brahman does not eat the fruits of deeds. Thus, the two states as eating and non-eating are taken into account. The opposite nature of these two is discarded by resorting to Adhyāhāra of above words. Hence, both enjoying and non-enjoying of fruit of deeds seem to be possible with regard to one and the same Brahman. In this way, apparent difference as two is simply empirical and hence is not absolutely real. Whereas, the sense as one and the same, which is Pāramārthika is real. The Advaitins hold that difference implied here is only empirical.

This interpretation as well as the contention of the Advaitins is not correct. Because, here Adhyāhāra is not necessary. Generally, Adhyāhāra is resorted to when the particular passage cannot be interpreted in a cogent manner.⁸⁶³ Further, there is no ground or any reason to state eating of fruit of deeds is only empirical. Because, the passage Sośnute sarvān kāmān saha...⁸⁶⁴ declares that

the enjoyment is also there in liberation. And this enjoyment or eating cannot be considered as empirical. It must be Paramārthika.⁸⁶⁵ So the enjoyment and the non-enjoyment are both absolutely real. And this proves the real difference between the two. When there is difference between liberated soul and Brahman, there is no need to stress difference in respect of the unliberated or bound souls.

Further, if there was no real difference, then, there would not have been in the passage the mention of 'two' by using the dual number as Dvā suparnā. Because two attributes of one and the same thing do not make it to be consisting of two. A jar, possessing colour and form, cannot be considered as two jars. And also a wife, having courage and beauty, cannot be mentioned as two.⁸⁶⁶ In the same way, enjoyment and its absence do not make one and the same as two but convey only two distinct entities. Because of the two attributes one and the same object is not mentioned in dual number. The Bhagavata verse Vidyāmāyo nitya mukto... clearly establishes the distinction between soul and Brahman.⁸⁶⁷

Vādirāja holds that, the inference as Vimataḥ bhedah paramārthasat... proves the difference. It states that difference is evident as reference is made of the souls,

liberated afterwards. And moreover, the illustration also corroborates the proposition that difference is absolutely real like the bliss of liberation.⁸⁶⁸ In the passage Dvā suparnā difference is hinted at on so many grounds. The use of dual number, reference of enjoyment and non-enjoyment and also the usage Anyā promise only the distinction beyond doubt.⁸⁶⁹ The expressions sakhāyau and Sayujau assert that the distinction, hinted at here in the passage, is in respect of nature and not in respect of place and thought that is unity of place and unity of thought. As the passage also deals with the enjoyment of liberation of the liberated souls, it is sure that the difference in nature is taken into account.⁸⁷⁰ Brahman is described here as brilliant. It shows that He is superior and master, another soul is inferior and servant.

The term 'Sayujau' in the passage implies the Sāyujya type of liberation and not the identity. The Sāyujya type of liberation indicates soul's presence in close proximity with Brahman always and not the identity between the two. So there is nothing in this passage that could suggest that the difference between soul and Brahman is simply empirical. The view of the Advaita that Vyāvahārika Bheda referred to elsewhere, is quoted here is also not tenable since according to the Advaita absolute difference is nowhere declared in the entire scripture.⁸⁷¹

Brahman, being Omniscient, Omnipresent, Omnipotent and so on, need not undergo any hardships for his enjoyment. The question of gaining of fresh enjoyment does not arise in His case. He is eternally contented. His activity is for others' sake who are under his control and supervision.⁸⁷² Vādirāja cites the example of how God distributed the nectar and poison obtained in the churning of milky ocean. Neither he tasted the nectar nor he rejected the poison. This shows that he has nothing to gain or lose with efforts. He dwells in all as the inner controller and without experiencing any fruit of actions. Since, He controls, He is the Impeller and as the soul is the controlled, he is impelled.⁸⁷³ Thus, this passage also indicates the relation of impelled and impellor. The very fact is being discussed and narrated with illustrations in the Bhāgavata, in Gītā and in other works.⁸⁷⁴ It is explained there that soul eats the fruit of deeds according to his own deeds. Whereas God being unaffected, simply witnesses and controls the soul. The sufferings and others, seen in soul, are not seen in God. Therefore, soul and Brahman are distinct to each other.⁸⁷⁵ Thus the very expression of the passage denotes one or other unique attributes of both of them and establishes difference as its primary import.

BHEDA IS NOT VYĀVAHĀRIKA OR EMPIRICAL⁸⁷⁶

The Advaitins hold that difference is empirical and not absolutely real. But at the same time they fail to explain this empirical difference convincingly. They cannot say that it is sublated by the cognition of Brahman. And it is evident that it is not sublated by any other knowledge. It shows that the very usage empirical is baseless. Further, difference is not sublated by this cognition of Brahman. But, it is the Brahmaikya that gets sublated. The experience or knowledge as 'I am not Omniscient,' 'I am not the overlord of all' is evident. This experience is the perception. And the knowledge of this perception controverts the idea of the identity fancied by the Advaitins.

According to the Advaita, the experience or knowledge that is sublated by the empirical experience, is called real in appearance. If that is true their Brahmaikya since being sublated as explained above by the experience of empirical perception would become real in appearance.⁸⁷⁷

E.g. the experience of the snake gets sublated by the experience of the rope. Here the experience of the snake is illusory whereas the experience of rope is empirical according to the Advaitins. According to this, in the Advaita, perception of difference is empirical. And as knowledge of identity gets sublated by this perception of

empirical difference that would become Prātibhāsika. So the Advaitins cannot treat difference between soul and Brahman as empirical. Vādirāja says that the efforts of the Advaitins is like a person running out of fear of the scorpion but rushing into the hole of venomous snakes.⁸⁷⁸

The contention of the Advaitins is that the passages like Dvā suparnā... and others that declare Jīveśvarabheda which is only Vyāvahārika, become Atatvāvedaka or conveying false information. But Vādirāja opines that a true follower of the scriptures will not accept this view. Because, really speaking, it is as good as disregarding the scripture as the Buddhists do. A true and rigid follower of the scriptures will rather try his best to prove both difference and identity conveying passages, as Tatvāvedaka. That means all scriptural passages convey valid information when interpreted properly.⁸⁷⁹

In the Advaita, as cognition of Brahman is Nirvikalpaka (without distinction), it can neither establish something nor can it sublate anything.⁸⁸⁰ It can also not sublate the difference. Hence, difference is real.⁸⁸¹ Vādirāja asks: "What is this sublation of difference?" If it is taken to mean Bhedanāśa, then it is not a sublation at all. Because, when something is destroyed nobody says that it is

the sublation of that. Destruction of a jar is not the sublation of that jar. So the sublation of difference is not Bhedanāśa. The Advaitins also hold that the ignorance that causes illusion is going to be removed by the sublating knowledge. The ignorance that causes the illusory experience of the snake, will be removed by subsequent sublating knowledge of the rope. But in the case of difference it is not at all caused by any ignorance. As difference is beginningless in time, it will never get sublated.⁸⁸²

The Advaitins contend that the empiricity is nothing but Arthakriyākāritva (effectiveness causing some activity). But it is not correct. Because, as already pointed out that the Vyāvahārikatva is not a reality according to them. Hence its Arthakriyākāritva does not arise. Otherwise the hare's horn will have to be treated as Pāramārthika (absolutely real) as it is not Arthakriyākāri, a view that is absurd.⁸⁸³ Vādirāja taunts at Advaitins that their Brahman should be treated as Vyāvahārika since being Arthakriyākāri in the form of being Upādāna, Nimitta and Bhramādiṣṭhāna. And It would not become Pāramārthika. So Vyāvahārikatva cannot be defined as Arthakriyākāritva. Vādirāja also opines that whatever is Prātibhāsika in the Advaita will become Vyāvahārika if the above definition of Vyāvahārikatva

is taken into account. The illusory knowledge, related to the substratum (Adhiṣṭhāna), is Prātibhāsika. And this Prātibhāsika, since being Arthakriyākāri, as shown above, can also be considered as Vyāvahārika. As the experience of the snake superimposed on the rope causes fear and the like, it should be treated as Vyāvahārika because it is Arthakriyākāri. But in reality, no one admits this view. Generally when an experience leads to fulfilment of some purpose then it is treated as valid experience and if it does not lead to any fulfilment then that experience is considered to be invalid. In the above case, defining Vyāvahārikatva as Arthakriyākāritva and considering Vyāvahārikatva, that will not be real or invalid, has made the very discussion invalid. Even if Vyāvahārikatva is defined as Avidyākāryatva, that will not fulfil the intention of the Advaitins in establishing identity.⁸⁸⁴ Further, this difference of soul and God is considered as one of the six Anādis by the Advaitins.⁸⁸⁵ When it is Anādi or beginningless it cannot be Avidyākārya or the effect of nescience. And as it is not the product of nescience it cannot be empirical. Thus, the very definition of the Advaitins proves that the difference is not empirical. When it is not empirical, it must be absolutely real.⁸⁸⁶

Vādirāja quotes some other passages that support and

declare difference. The passages Brahmaṇā saha..., Param-
⁸⁸⁷īyotiḥ... clearly state the distinction of the soul from
 Brahman. The former passage states that there is distinc-
 tion between the soul and Brahman in the liberated state.
 The term saha indicates this. And the second mentions
 that soul attains only proximity with Brahman and not
 identity with Him.⁸⁸⁸ Thus, difference of soul from
 Brahman is absolutely real. The Brahmasūtras, cited already⁸⁸⁹
 also declare difference and not the identity.

ANUVĀDYATVA AFFECTS AIKYA AND NOT BHEDA

The Advaitins hold that Bheda śrutis are 'lower' and
Abheda śrutis are 'higher.' Here 'Apara' means they occur
 first and para means 'they occur later.' The view of the
 Advaita is as follows:- Bheda śrutis may be useful at the
 beginning and lower stage whereas Abheda śrutis are useful
 at the ultimate and higher stage. So Abheda śrutis are
 preferred to Bheda śrutis. But, this view is not correct.⁸⁹⁰
 The very classification of passages as higher and lower
 is not correct because all of them are impersonal. When
 one admits scriptures as impersonal, this classification
 does not hold good.

If it is held that Para srutis invalidate the Apara
 ones because Para śrutis occur later, then on this ground

as Smṛtis occur later than even these Para śruti passages, will invalidate the 'higher' scriptures.⁸⁹¹ The world that emerges later may also invalidate Brahman. The contention that Nisedha or negation is superior to Vidhi or injunction is also not correct. Because, in sacrifice, negation of violence is set aside and violated. In sacrifices Paśuhimsā is preferred by the Mīmāṃsakas. Therefore, such classification of scriptural passages will not help the Advaita in any manner. On the basis of conveying the import, the scripture may be grouped as Sāvakāśa and Niravakāśa.⁸⁹² The close observation and study proves that Bheda Śrutis are Niravakāśas and Abheda Śrutis are Sāvakāśas.⁸⁹³ So this makes it clear that Sāvakāśa Śrutis (Abheda Śrutis) are to be explained in accordance with Niravakāśa Śrutis (Bheda Śrutis).

The Advaitins also opine that Bheda Śrutis are only Anuvādakas (repetitions) because, they convey the sense which is already Pratyakṣasiddha (established by perception). As they are Anuvādakas,⁸⁹⁴ there is left nothing to prove. Whereas Abheda Śrutis are not Anuvādakas as they declare the Advaita for the first time. This view is also not correct. Vādirāja asserts that this type of argument may also be advanced against the Advaitins. Brahman is Svapra-
kāśa or self-luminous and a known entity in the Advaita.

And this Brahman is mentioned in the scriptural passages. Hence, the Advaita Śrutis are Anuvādakas.⁸⁹⁵ Thus, the argument proves Śrutis as Anuvādakas. If Bheda Śrutis are alone considered as Anuvādakas, then is it grouped and mentioned without any purpose or is it for refutation?⁸⁹⁶ In the first case, there is purpose and this purpose is to adduce the Bheda Śrutis as stock Pramanas. Because Bheda Śrutis have the support of Pratyakṣa and Śruti. What is evident by perception is upheld by scriptures. Thus the support of the two creates more confidence in the proposition.⁸⁹⁷ In the second alternative, difference cannot be shown as stained with defect and hence cannot be refuted. The mere fact that difference being opposite of identity, cannot be a defect. If the mere opposition of identity is held as defect, then that will lead to Anyonyāśraya doṣa. Till the validity of Abheda Śrutis is proved, Abheda Śrutis will not be able to invalidate the Bheda Śrutis. And until the invalidity of the Bheda Śrutis is established, the validity of Abheda Śrutis is not final.⁸⁹⁸ As both are scriptures, it is not possible to attribute invalidity to any group. If at all there is a need to attribute, it must be to all the scriptures. Otherwise, the very view becomes opposite of perception and may lead to either the defect of mutual dependence or some other.⁸⁹⁹

As already mentioned that if a fact is supported by two Pramāṇas, then it becomes more stronger. In Bheda Śrutis, as difference is Pratyakṣasiddha, its Anuvāda in the Śruti will strengthen it (difference), then Abheda Śrutis, since lacking such strong support will have to be explained in accordance with Bheda Śrutis. Generally testimony will not come in the way of perception. If at all there is sublation in perception, then only implication is preferred to. But nowhere perception is given up for the sake of testimony. Intuitive perception supports the difference and this difference is rightly upheld by the Bheda Śrutis.⁹⁰⁰ So the Advaitins resorting to implication with regard to Bheda Śrutis, is unnecessary. To support Advaita, there is no fun in resorting to implication. Perception is valid in the case of those that are liable for perception and testimony (Āgama) is valid in respect of those that are beyond senses. That does not mean that perception is invalid.⁹⁰¹

The distinction of soul and Brahman is evident as it is established by perception. And the same is explained in the scriptures. Even if it is considered as repetition, that definitely strengthens the difference doctrine. Anuvāda Sometimes/in the form of mere duplication and repetition becomes invalid and weak but here it is a plus point that

strengthens the very difference. Thus, Anuvāda necessarily does not affect the validity in any way. The significance of validity could be realized by Yāthārthya. Whatever is not Yāthārtha, validity of that knowledge cannot be gained. Otherwise, on the basis of Anuvāda as explained by the Advaitins, Smṛtis are to be considered as Anuvādas since they convey the fact which is already stated in scriptures.⁹⁰² Vādirāja refers to the Bhāgavata⁹⁰³ verse and says that Anuvāda is praised there.⁹⁰⁴ Anuvāda is of two kinds. Sometimes it is for affirmation of something already established, and sometimes it is for refutation. In respect of difference, Anuvāda is for affirmation of difference already established by perception. If all Anuvādakas are held invalid, then all the Advaita Śrutis that are Anuvādakas to each other, cut the validity of each other like the two demons Sunda and Upasunda.⁹⁰⁵ And in Anuvādas that are meant for refutation, there must be Dūṣya and Dūṣaka in one sentence or in one context. On the basis of Anuvāda, passages of one context cannot refute the Śruti passage of another context.⁹⁰⁶ Therefore, the passages as they do not contradict with others, are defectless.⁹⁰⁷ And there is also not a single Śruti in the form of Anuvāda.⁹⁰⁸

The view of the Advaitins that Bheda is stated and prescribed for the sake of worship, is not correct.

Because for worship or adoration, object must be real and its worship-worthiness must be known. Otherwise there may be confusion, because, it is not correct to meditate on three-eyed god Siva as thousand-eyed Indra. Each God is distinct in nature and position. So two gods as objects of meditation, cannot be put together.⁹⁰⁹ Śruti clarifies this and never misleads the worshipper.

OBJECT OF MEDITATION IS NOT MITHYĀ

The object of meditation cannot be a unreal. Because in that case, meditation would be meaningless. The scriptural passage Nedam yadidam upāsate⁹¹⁰ does not negate the real object of meditation. But it stresses on the real object and also on the difference between soul and Brahman.⁹¹¹ It is common to see that people meditate upon god Garuḍa for the removal of the poison and god Viṣṇu for the removal of obstacles.⁹¹² The scripture never misleads with regard to meditation. And this meditation would be fruitful provided there is real difference between the object of meditation and the person meditating. The Brahmasūtra-Na pratīke na hi sah⁹¹³ (IV.1.4) makes it clear that Pratīka itself is not God. From this it is evident that the true position of the object is taken into account for meditation.⁹¹⁴ Certainly, an unreal cannot help to realize the real.

Further, the difference between worshipped and worshipper is seen not only in Samsāra but in continues even after liberation. The four types of liberation⁹¹⁵ do not rule out the relation of worshipped and worshipper and do not result in any identity.⁹¹⁶

As already pointed out above, the passage, Nedam yadidam upāsate does not convey the sense of identity. It informs that the mental image of God fabricated for meditation before direct vision or knowledge is not God Himself.⁹¹⁷ This meditation on that mental image, helps us to have the vision of the God in the long run at the Aparokṣa state. The mental image is the mental image. Though it is distinct from God, it is not unreal.⁹¹⁸ Because, it is this through which one will have the direct vision of the God.⁹¹⁹ Vādirāja gives another interpretation of this passage as soul, who is known by Sākṣin is not Brahman. Here Idam stands for soul. Thus, both the interpretations establish the difference.⁹²⁰ As scripture informs about relation of worshipped and worshipper, it can never establish identity. And moreover, it also proves the reality of the object of meditation. If the object of meditation is not real, then the process of Śravaṇa, Manana and Dhyāna would be futile. Hence, the object of meditation must be real and distinct from meditator.^{920A}

The passage Yadā paśyaḥ paśyate rukmavarṇam⁹²¹ promises the distinction of worshipped and worshipper. The distinct attributes of worshipped God such as Rukmavarṇam, Kartāram, Īśam and others affirm that worshipped God is not merely distinct but is superior to the meditating soul. He is the Supreme Lord, Independent Creator and so on. Sāmyam upaiti does not convey identity but asserts that the liberated soul lives in close proximity with the God.⁹²²

BHEDA IS TENABLE IN ALL RESPECTS

The Advaitins question as to whether the difference is distinct, identical or distinct-cum-identical from the entity. Vādirāja replies that this approach or criticism can be set aside very easily. He opines that the reply, given in the case Vyāvahārika Bheda,⁹²³ can be given here also even if difference is taken as absolutely real.⁹²⁴

The passage Neti neti...⁹²⁵ declares that Brahman is different from both the soul and matter. The use of two negative particles ensures the difference from both soul and matter. In the Advaita, as there is nothing to be negated, the interpretation of 'Na' would be baseless. That means, the Advaitins cannot interpret the use of 'Na' twice in the passage.⁹²⁶ The passage Anyam Īśam...⁹²⁷ makes it clear that Brahman is not only different from this

world of the souls and matter but He is also the Overlord of all. It also states that the soul will be relieved of his sufferings of Samsāra, when he realizes the difference between himself and Brahman, the supremacy of the Lord and great auspicious nature of God.^{927A} The ideas of Abheda, Sāmya and Nirgunatva do not help the soul to get relieved of his grief.⁹²⁸ The passages Eṣā sarveśvaraḥ⁹²⁹ and others establish God's overlordship and bring out the difference between the soul and God. The passages also mention that the relation with regard to the difference is Swāmibhṛtya or Master and servant type. At this juncture, Vādirāja quotes the statements of the Gītā⁹³⁰ and the Bhāgavata that openly declare difference and supremacy of the God.⁹³¹ The Bhāgavata verses Vidyātmani bhidā bodhaḥ...⁹³² and Bhedadrṣṭyā abhimānena...⁹³³ and others state that knowledge of difference, Abhimāna or devotion and Nissaṅgakarma or performance of deeds without the feeling of attachment, as the means for liberation. Here Abhimāna is not attachment towards worldly pleasures but it is the Bhakti or devotion to the Lord. And Nissaṅgakarma is the Virakti.⁹³⁴ Thus, all the passages signify the importance of Bheda as the primary means for realization and liberation.

BIMBAPRATIBIMBABHĀVA BETWEEN GOD AND THE EMBODIED SOUL

The passage Yathaisā puruṣe chāyā...⁹³⁵ states that there is Bimbapratibimbabhāva between Jīva and Brahman.⁹³⁶ The illustration cited in the passage, as man and his shadow, signifies and points at three important points. That are: similarity between Bimba and Pratibimba, dependance of Pratibimba on the Bimba and also difference between the two. No doubt that the soul is similar to God in respect of Sat, Cit and Ānanda. The soul is different from the God and also dependent upon Him.⁹³⁷ The same passage also makes it clear that this Bimbapratibimbabhāva ascertains the Sākāratva or Ādhāratva and Swāmitva of God.^{937A} The similarity between the soul and the God is also hinted at in the passage Rūpaṁ rūpaṁ pratirūpo bhabūva.⁹³⁸ God becomes Bimba to infinite souls, assuming infinite Bimba-forms. And all the souls are Pratibimbās. And these are different from God.⁹³⁹

This relation of Bimbapratibimbabhāva establishes the difference between the two. The reflection shadow is not only distinct but it is real. Similarly reflection soul is not only distinct but also real. Though it is said that there is

similarity between reflective and reflection, this similarity is not in all respects, but with regard to only some respects. The mention with dual number ascertains the difference between the two.⁹⁴⁰ The similarity is also not in all respects completely. It is only in some respects with limitations. Souls are declared as reflections (reflected) since they too are real and unsublated like Brahman. Similarity with limitations does not lead to any identity.^{940A}

Sometimes, the reflection of face is described as face. But that does not mean that both are identical, but they are only similar in some respects. Vādirāja justifies this fact by citing an example that it is as good as referring to the lion in the picture as lion. The lion in the picture, exposes its similarity but not identity. The two are distinct to each other.⁹⁴¹ Vādirāja argues that if Bimbā and Pratibimbā were taken to be identical, then reflection of face in hot water should cause burning pain to the real or reflecting face. Similarly, the entities bigger in size should not get reflected in a small mirror. Hence, identity cannot be traced. If at all there might be similarity in all the respects, then only identity could be attributed.

The dependence of Pratibimbā is evident since Pratibimbā

lasts as long as reflective is present near Upādhi or adjunct. When reflective goes away from the adjunct, then reflection disappears. Thus, a reflection is wholly dependent upon reflective.^{941A} It does not make the reflection unreal.

Pratibimba is Bimbakārya. It is tenable completely in other examples. But in the case of the soul, whose very nature is not created, its solely dependent state is taken into account. In Jīva, the presence of Bimba God is Nimitta. He is the Kartā. Upādhi in the form of Jīvasvarūpa is Upādāna.⁹⁴² This is agreeable only in respect of Bimba-pratibimbabhāva of Brahman and the embodied soul. In the example also, the mirror would become Upādāna for reflection. Thus Pratibimba Jīva is Kārya of Bimba God. It is the Upādāna that is modified as reflection. There is no difficulty for the Advaitins to accept this modification as they regard modification of mind into a jar.⁹⁴³ Thus reflection, though modification, is not unreal. If the reflection is regarded as unreal, then there would be difference from real reflective. And if reflection is taken to be real, then owing to two real entities, difference is evident.^{943A} It is as real as Bimba. Because, the cognition of it as Pratibimba does not get sublated.⁹⁴⁴ So reflection is real and it is real and it is distinct from reflective. The very difference in the usage as reflective and reflection, also signifies

the distinction here. Therefore, the God, who is reflective is distinct from Pratibimba reflection soul and reflection soul is as real as God Brahman.⁹⁴⁵

IV. VIŚVASAURABHA

INTERPRETATION OF THE ŚRUTI'PRAPANCO YADI VIDYETA' AND VIKALPO

VINIVARTETA⁹⁴⁶

As in the Bhedasaurabha, difference between God, embodied soul and the world is proved to be five-fold, in this Viśvasaurabha, reality of the world is considered to be established. Because the doctrine of difference would be meaningful provided the related entities are real. The Śruti- Prapañco yadi vidyeta asserts the reality and eternity of the world of five-fold difference. The world comprising of sentient beings and insentient matter is real since beginningless. In this sense, the Śruti appears to be connected with both the Saurabhas, viz., the Bhedasaurabha and the Viśvasaurabha.⁹⁴⁷

The Śruti-passage mentioned above is interpreted by the Advaitins that it indeed supports the Advaita doctrines viz., the Jaganmithyātvā (falsity of the world) and the Advaita (absolute identity). But, Vādirāja opines and promises that this passage does not inform anything about the Jaganmithyātvā nor about the Advaita. It ultimately

proves the reality of the world with five-fold difference⁹⁴⁸ and also the Supremacy of the Lord. Vādirāja says that this could be understood and realized, only when the passage is interpreted in the light of and in accordance with the context.

The Advaita interpretation of this passage is 'If the world were to be existed, then only it would have been withdrawn. But as it is an illusion, Advaita is the only reality.' This interpretation controverts the very Advaita view. Because according to the Advaita the world is not real. So when the Advaita negates the real existence of the world, how can there be the withdrawal of the same world. The logic of something having existed and then withdrawn is not helpful to the Advaita. There is no Vyāpti or invariable concomitance between existence and withdrawal in the Advaita. If this Vyāpti is taken for granted then Brahman being existent, would have to be withdrawn.⁹⁴⁹ And according to the Advaita, that which is an object of withdrawal (sublation) is an illusion. In that case, Brahman would have to be an illusion.⁹⁵⁰

Therefore Vādirāja insists that the context is to be taken into account while interpreting such passages. The passage previous to this, runs Ānā-dimāyayā supto yadā

jīvaḥ prabudhyate⁹⁵¹ and so on and it has the reference of ignorance, knowledge and also of difference between one matter and the other one soul and the other. So in the above passage- Prapanca... etc., contrary to the previous one, neither non-reality of the world nor the identity could be traced. So it is five-fold difference that is hinted at by the word 'Prapanca.' The etymological explanation of the term 'Prapanca' is 'higher knowledge of five-fold difference'. 'Pra' means Prakṛṣṭa - 'detail, higher knowledge' and 'Panca' means 'five-fold.' Thus, Prapanca means 'five-fold difference' and not simply the world.⁹⁵²

The expression 'Yadi vidyeta' poses the problem as to whether Prapanca were to be created (if it were not beginningless) then that would have perished. But really speaking, this five-fold difference is not created and hence, the question of its perishing does not arise. As it is beginningless, it will not perish.⁹⁵³ This view establishes the eternality of five-fold difference. The term Māyāmātra in the passage denotes that this five-fold difference is known to the God and also is guarded by Him. Here 'Māyā' is the Prajñā or knowledge⁹⁵⁴ of the God. It also means that it is the knowledge of the God that makes us to know this five-fold difference well. Here Māyā does not convey the sense believed by the Advaitins. The term 'Advaita' indicates the Sarvottamatva or the supreme nature of the God.

The Advaitins consider the term 'Advaita' as there is nothing real other than Brahman. But this meaning is not intended here. It conveys that there is nothing that is equal or superior to the God. So there is no scope to understand that the things other than the God are illusion. Thus, the term 'Advaita' means 'The God is Supreme.'⁹⁵⁵

The correct import of the passage is that 'If the five-fold difference had been caused then one day it will get perished. But as it does not perish, it is not caused or created. It is known to the God and is guarded by Him. He is the only Supreme Being. There is nothing either equal or superior to Him. This interpretation does not contradict with other passages and does not give scope for counter-arguments. This is the only meaning that suits the context. So the context does not suggest either the Jagan-mityātva or the Ātmaikya. Vādirāja splits the compounded words wonderfully as 'Māyāmātram' etc., and explains that Dvaitam māyāmātram means 'five fold difference is not at illusory.'⁹⁵⁶ Such interpretation also suits the context and avoids the contradiction.

The Advaitins interpret the passage- Vikalpo viniivarteta etc., as follows: The difference as teacher, taught and teaching is only an illusory difference. This order is

meant for only teaching. When the truth is understood then there remains nothing. That means, then distinction will not remain. This interpretation of the Advaitins criticises the view of distinction by treating it as illusion. Hence, the Advaitins contend that this illusory distinction is not a reality. But this interpretation is not correct. Because then, there will be contradiction with the previous one. So the correct import of the passage is that the distinction would have been withdrawn if it were created out of illusion. But it is not illusory. And this fact could be known through a competent teacher (Upadeśaka).

Vādirāja argues that if the Advaitins question as to whether Bheda is Bhinna, Abhinna or Bhinnābhinna, and so on, then what would be the reply of the Advaitins when the same question is asked with regard to Vyāvahārika bheda. So the difference should be accepted as real.⁹⁵⁷

Thus, these two passages establish both Bheda or difference and Jagatsatyatva or reality of the world, topics of the Bhedasaurabha and the Viśvasaurabha respectively. Vādirāja hence considers these passages as Dehalīlīpa - lamp kept on the threshold that illumines both the rooms.⁹⁵⁸

GĪTĀ, MAHĀBHĀRATA AND PURĀNAS ALSO SUPPORT VIŚVASATYATVA

The Bhagavadgītā verse that runs as Asatyamapratisthante jagadāhuranīśvaram. Aparasparasambhūtaḥ kimanyat kāmahaitukam. supports the view of the reality of the world.⁹⁵⁹

It severely attacks those who consider the world as Asat or Mithyā or unreal. It is stated that this view is not only untenable but it spoils all those who teach and are taught.⁹⁶⁰ Vādirāja opines that this Gītā-statement is the import of several Śrutis, Purāṇas etc. It is evident that the Lord is the prime-agent (Kartā) and none else. The Prakṛti or the primal matter is the only Upādānakāraṇa or material cause and others time, place, etc., are Nimittakāraṇas or instrumental causes. The Lord is also considered as Nimittakāraṇa but He is foremost and prime among all instrumental causes. And the world is created by the operation of all these causes.⁹⁶¹ The Prakṛti, stated above, is nothing but the constitution of Sattva, Rajas and Tamas.⁹⁶² In the scriptures as well as in other works, this Prakṛti is called sometimes as Māyā. It is not the Māyā of the Advaitins, because in that case, it would be only an illusion. It is the Prakṛti that is termed Māyā.⁹⁶³ Therefore, the world-effect of this Māyā-prakṛti, is called Māyāmaya.⁹⁶⁴ And thus, the usage will not make this world as the product of Māyā or illusion of the Advaitins. In that case, the world would be unreal.

Now it cannot be held that this Prakṛti gets modified itself into the world. It, being Jada or insentient cannot modify itself into the world. It is the Lord who creates the world out of this Prakṛti. The Gītā statement- Mayā adhyakṣena prakṛtiḥ...⁹⁶⁵ makes this point clear. As Prakṛti is the material cause of this creation, Ajñāna of the Advaitins cannot be taken to be the material cause for creation, since in no works Ajñāna of the Advaitins is declared as Upādānakāraṇa or material cause. So creation is not the out-come of Ajñāna or nescience. And hence, it is not sublated by Brahmajñāna, as the Advaitins make others believe.

The created world, since being not a product of Ajñāna, cannot totally be non-existent. Neither Brahman nor this world will be destroyed completely. Both are eternal.⁹⁶⁶ It is Anādi or beginningless and Ananta or endless in the sense of Pravāhato nitya or eternal like a current. Brahman is also Nitya or eternal. But the difference is that the world is Pravāhato Nitya whereas Brahman is Svarūpataḥ nitya or inherently eternal. The Mahābhārata verse 'Evam tada-nādyantam...⁹⁶⁷ brings out the nature of the world as mentioned above.⁹⁶⁸

THE ŚRUTI SVAPNAMĀYĀ SARŪPĀ ... ESTABLISHES VIŚVASATYATVA

The verses in the Māṇḍūkyaopaniṣad that run Vibhūtiṃ prasavantvanye...⁹⁶⁹ and others state the different views regarding the nature of the world and also of the process of world-creation. The Advaitins hold that these verses hint at Brahma Parināma-vāda or the Vikāra-vāda. That means Brahman modifies Itself into various forms of the world. They say that the passage also indicates the illusory nature of the world.⁹⁷⁰ But this is not correct. Modification is not admissible in the case of the God.⁹⁷¹ Because, He is glorified as Nirvikāri or changeless. And moreover, He is not of the nature of modification. Further, the world also cannot be treated as illusory. Because, it is the desire of the Lord who creates the world. So it cannot be illusory. Even the Prakṛti or material cause undergoes the changes and functions according to the desire of the Lord.⁹⁷² The God creates this world by His desire and not by any Māyā as understood by the Advaitins. If the desire of the Lord itself is named Māyā then there is no objection to it. Vādirāja opines that the term Prabhu indicates that the Lord is Sarvottama or Overlord, Sarvaśakta or Omnipotent and the like. He never seeks the help of others (in creation maintenance and the like connected with this world.

Now the question is 'What is the Lord's purpose of

creating this world?' Some misinterpret the verse Bhogārtham sr̥ṣṭirityanye...^{972A} etc., and say that the God creates the world for his own enjoyment. But it is not correct. Because, He is Āptakāma or ever-contented. He has nothing to get fulfilled.⁹⁷³ There are some who hold the view that the God creates the world out of Himself for play.⁹⁷⁴ They think that during Pralaya the God's life would be charmless as there might be nothing and hence He, then, engages in the process of creation. This view is also not correct. Because, Vādirāja says, that if this view is admitted then it would contradict with His Āptakāmatva or self-contentment. So it is neither for enjoyment nor for play that the God creates the world, but it is His very nature that He creates the world. Because, He has no desires including to play, to get fulfilled.⁹⁷⁵ It is clear from the passage 'Ichhāmātram prabhoh sr̥ṣṭih' and 'Devasya eṣa svabhāvaḥ...^{975A} The expression 'Ichhāmātram' indicates that He has the desire only for creation and not for any benefit out of that. It also conveys that the God's manifestation as Matsya, Kūrma and so on, is because of His Ichhā or desire.⁹⁷⁶ The Upādāna is not required for the manifestation of God's incarnations. Because, something in the form of Upādāna is required for creation and not for manifestation. All the incarnations of the God are eternal but it is the desire of the God that makes them manifest.

So far as Kāla or Time is considered, it is accepted as only instrumental cause and not as Independent efficient cause. The statement Dravyam karma ca kālaśca...⁹⁷⁷ makes it clear that all these are under the control of the Lord. These become useful and favourable in creation etc., provided the God desires, otherwise not. So it is evident that the God is the Creator, Prakṛti is the material cause, time and the like are instruments.

The term Prabhu in the passage also signifies that the God has no Ajñāna or nescience and the creation of the world is not due to nescience. Since Brahman is Omnipotent, Omniscient and so on, He does not require Ajñāna and such others for creation. And moreover, such a wonderful world cannot be the outcome of nescience. It is the Prakṛti (prime-matter) which is the material course.⁹⁷⁸ Creation is Nitya (Pravāhato) or eternal because, the act of creation of the world is the very nature of the God. The world is present with minute form in the God during Pralaya and the same gets manifested and created by the Lord at the time of creation. This proves that the world, either with minute form or with gross form, is present eternally. Hence, the total non-existence of the world cannot be thought of. It also ascertains the fact that this world is eternally distinct from the God. As it is under the control of the Lord, who is supreme.⁹⁷⁹

The Brahmasūtra-Vaidharmyācca na svapnādivat (II.ii.29)⁹⁸⁰ rejects the view that the world is illusory like a dream. If the creation of the world is compared with the dream or magic then, that would lead to many defects. In the dream, there is a dreamer, his body, bed, and the like who are real. And in magic also, the magician is real, observers are real. So the Advaitins have to specify the real things in the world-creation first and then they can talk of illusory aspect of creation. Therefore, it is not proper to compare the creation of the world either with a dream or with magical creation. Further, the Advaita view that the illusion of the world, after sublation leads to liberation and bliss is also not agreeable and tenable because, an illusory cause can never lead to real effects. Otherwise, the effects liberation, bliss and the like must also be held as unreal.⁹⁸¹ So the world is real: And the reality of the world can be ascertained and also realized as mentioned above. Thus, the passages quoted above establish the reality of the world.⁹⁸²

ŚRUTIS 'VIŚVAM SATYAM' AND OTHERS ESTABLISH REALITY OF THE WORLD

The Īśavāsyā passage Yāthātathā⁴torthān vyadadhāt...⁹⁸³ declares the reality of the world undoubtedly. The Omniscient Lord creates wonderful things in this world. And all of them are real.⁹⁸⁴ The scriptural statement 'Viśvam

satyam⁹⁸⁵ promises the reality of the world. It makes clear that the detailed information mentioned or delineated here, is true to fact. And it has the support of the Pramāṇas. This is evident by the expression 'Praminanti,'⁹⁸⁶ It declares "O God! this world of yours is real. And it is the presiding deities of water who know it well." The God is glorified as 'Maghavān' that means 'He, who possesses all prosperity.' The dual usage of the world affirms the fact that the God creates the world and also regulates it. This indicates the difference between the two. It is also said that it is the presiding deities who know the truth. Here the truth is the 'Niyamya-niyamakabhāva,' or the relation of the controlled and the controller. Vādirāja opines that this statement, not only asserts the reality of the world but also adduces the arguments in favour of this. Thus, the fact that the world is real rules out the view of the Vyāvahārikasattā or the ephemeral reality held by the Advaitins, since the view ultimately aims at non-reality of the world.⁹⁸⁷ The present statement argues: "How can the Lord being Maghavān or possessing all prosperity, create a non-real world?" It is not correct. Because, then the very possession of all prosperity would be meaningless. The dual and plural forms in 'Yuvoh' and 'Āpaḥ' prove that more sentient beings observe the world. It also ascertains the mutual difference among sentients

and also their difference from the world observed. The presiding deities of water and the reference to their knowledge is true. That means the created world is not empirically real but absolutely real like Brahman.⁹⁸⁸

The difference is that, Brahman is eternally real whereas world is real or eternal like a current. Vādirāja opines that this not only establishes the reality of the world but also the Sarvottamatva, Guṇapūrṇatva and Nirdoṣatva of the God. By the by it also brings out the difference between the God and the world.⁹⁸⁹

The scriptural statement- Yacciketa satyamit⁹⁹⁰ also promises the reality of the world. The correct import of the Śruti is: 'The world that is present for ever, is created by the God. It is real and also serves real purpose. It is covetable one. The God has conquered this world and gifted.' All the expressions of the statement clearly bring out the reality of the world.⁹⁹¹ Like the previous one, it also, by the by proves the difference between the God and the world. All the scriptures thus, shining with the lustre of arguments prove the reality of the world and also glorify the greatness of the Lord. Therefore, Vādirāja opines and appeals that the idea of the unreality of the world is an obstacle for liberation and spiritual delight, and it is the realization of

reality of the world that leads to liberation and also helps to attain spiritual delight.⁹⁹²

AJÑĀNA CANNOT BE THE UPĀDĀNA AND IT CAN ALSO NOT PROVE THE
UNREALITY OF THE WORLD

The God creates this world at the commencement of each Kalpa or universal creation. This proves that the world is never destroyed totally. It remains in minute form during dissolution. That means it would be in the form of Prakṛti or the primeval matter. As the Prakṛti is real its effect the world must also be real.⁹⁹³ The Advaitins say that Ajñāna or nescience is the Upādāna or the material cause of this world, but it is not correct. Because, out of Ajñāna or nescience this world cannot be created. And moreover, a person, interested in creating something, will go for concerned material cause only. That is reasonable and agreeable in all respects. No one puts his efforts to have anything like Ajñāna as Upādāna.⁹⁹⁴

The contention of the Advaitins that this bondage is also an illusion due to Ajñāna and hence, to remove this Ajñāna one has to pursue an inquiry into Brahman and gain the knowledge,⁹⁹⁵ is not correct. Because, this bondage is real and Anādi. It is not an illusion caused by Ajñāna means that which is beginningless, is not a product of

of something.⁹⁹⁶ And removal of this bondage is possible, only when it is real; otherwise not. The question of removing does not arise if the said bondage is an illusion and unreal. So when the bondage is real, it cannot be the illusory product of nescience. And it can be removed by right knowledge, which is also real. Here the knowledge means knowledge of Brahman since it is competent to remove the bondage. And this knowledge of Brahman could be gained when one proceeds to make an inquiry about Brahman. Thus there is proper and agreeable relation among Adhikāri or eligible aspirant, Prayojana the purpose, Viśaya the subject-matter and Sambandha the relation provided bondage and the like are taken to be real, otherwise not.⁹⁹⁷ In the Advaita, there is no concordance and relevancy since it is treated as an illusory effect of Ajñāna which is unreal.

As the beginningless nescience and its product bondage are seen in the embodied soul, since beginningless, the Advaita view that the Brahman is the locus of nescience, is supportless and gone. Because, the presence of Upādāna or cause (that is nescience) and the Upādeya or effect (bondage) are to be present at one place invariably. The view that the nescience is with Brahman and bondage with soul, is wrong.⁹⁹⁸ Further, the nescience, since being beginningless, is of a Bhāvarūpa or positive and hence this nescience

cannot be removed by knowledge.¹⁹⁹ In the Dvaita view, even when the bondage is taken to be beginningless and real, its removal is possible by knowledge as per the declaration of the scriptures.¹⁰⁰⁰ The contention of nescience as beginningless by the Advaitins, poses the difficulty. Even if the nescience is understood as contact of nescience, then also the removal of contact of nescience is not possible since this contact is also beginningless. In the Advaita, beginningless positive entity cannot be destroyed. Therefore, Vādirāja says that acceptance of the nescience as the material cause of the world, makes the very removal of it impossible. So the nescience is not the material cause whereas it is the Prakṛti that is the material cause.

In the Advaita, the removal of nescience is not possible by knowledge. If this removal is accepted then that will lead to the defect Anyonyāśraya or mutual dependence. According to the Advaita, Svarūpajñāna or knowledge of one's own nature is always present. Therefore, it cannot be concealed by nescience. But it might be the Manovṛttijñāna or the knowledge obtained by mental activity that is concealed by nescience. Then, there is the Anyonyāśrayadoṣa as the Manovṛttijñāna is the product of nescience.

If the Manovṛttijñāna is concealed then it is this knowledge that has to remove the nescience through its operation and it can operate and remove the nescience only after the concealing nescience is removed. Thus, there is Anyonyāśrayadoṣa. The same type of Anyonyāśrayadoṣa would be there, even when Svarūpajñāna is taken to be concealed by the Ajñāna.¹⁰⁰¹ Further it cannot be argued that the knowledge functions even when there is the concealing nescience. Otherwise in that case, an object though obstructed by something like a wall, must be seen. But it never happens.

Vādirāja points out that in the Advaita, the removal of the nescience is not possible until the attainment of the final knowledge.¹⁰⁰² The scriptural statement^{1002A} that refers to Akhaṇḍa Brahman, may give rise to Aparokṣajñāna direct realisation and not, to Caramajñāna or the final knowledge. Vādirāja doubts that when the knowledge (direct realization) is not competent to remove the nescience, what guarantee is there that the final knowledge will remove the nescience. This also ascertains the fact that knowledge will not remove the Advaitin's Ajñāna.¹⁰⁰³ So in the Advaita, the procedure of Śravaṇa, Manana etc., and also pursuing the study of the scriptures would become meaningless. And the Gurūpadeśa or preceptor's instruction

and the like is not required for the removal of the nescience that conceals the Adhithāna Caitanya or sentient being substratum. Because, the experience in the case of a pot, a cloth and the like, is gained without any Gurūpadeśa. Thus, the acceptance of Ajñāna leads to such problems. So it is preferred on the basis of the scriptures to accept that bondage is removed by knowledge. There is no necessity to introduce an illusory nescience.¹⁰⁰⁴ Thus, bondage is real, knowledge is real and removal of bondage by knowledge is also real. Hence, nescience is by no means the material cause of the world and it cannot bring about the bondage.

One may doubt about the removal of bondage by knowledge. But Vādirāja promises that, it is not only the bondage that would be destroyed by knowledge, but also the beginningless action of the soul. The scriptural statement Tadā vidvān punyapāpe vidhūya...¹⁰⁵ etc., makes it clear that Karma or action is removed by knowledge.^{1005A} The Brahmasūtra- Tadadhigame Uttara-pūrvāghayoh (IV.1.13) states that knowledge removes the previous action and makes the following and next action ineffective.¹⁰⁰⁶ This proves the very fact as already mentioned that the knowledge is competent to remove the aspects other than nescience. So there is no link between the removal nescience and the

removal of bondage. This ascertains that there is no Vyāpti between Jñāna and Ajñānanāśa, as held by the Advaitins. The removal of bondage is nothing but the function of destruction. And Īśvarajñāna is competent to fulfil the creation, sustenance and destruction. So nowhere the removal of nescience is traced possibly. Thus, there is no Vyāpti as knowledge is the destroyer of nescience (Advaita) since, the very concept is untenable.¹⁰⁰⁷

It is already mentioned that the knowledge of Brahman removes the bondage. Vādirāja makes it clear that the knowledge does not remove the bondage directly, but Brahmajñāna first generates Bhakti or devotion and then removes the bondage.¹⁰⁰⁸ The bondage is nothing but the deep attachment towards worldly things and enjoyments. And this attachment should be turned towards the God. It is possible when one gets the Brahmajñāna through proper Jiñāsa or inquiry. When Brahmajñāna is gained then that develops the devotion in the God. Further, the God removes the bondage through His grace. Thus, the bondage, that is real, is removed by knowledge through devotion and His grace.¹⁰⁰⁹ Here also there is no scope for any nescience of the Advaitins which is according to them illusory.

Further, Vādirāja makes it clear that a real one can

be destroyed. He says that it is not the reality which is the base for non-destruction, but it is the eternity which is the criterion for non-destruction.¹⁰¹⁰ The bondage, though real can be destroyed, since it is not eternal as such. Hence, it is destroyed by the grace of God.

The Advaitins hold that the nescience or the unreality of the world is intended in the Brahmasūtras. But this view is wrong. Because, the Sūtrakāra does not imply the unreality of the world in any way. The mention of the Adhikāri and others eligible for Brahmajñāna ascertains that the topic of inquiry can never be an unreal one. The very interpretation of the Śruti passages by the Sūtras has definite aim (Phala).¹⁰¹¹ So the entire scheme of the sūtras cannot be an illusion.¹⁰¹² Vādirāja praises that the Sūtrakāra, viz., Vedavyāsa has lit the lamp of Sṛṣṭi-karṣṭva of the God at the beginning and then poured oil for burning it in the subsequent Sūtras.¹⁰¹³

Vādirāja says that even the process of destruction does not admit the view of Ajñāna of the Advaitins. It is the Kārya or the effect which is destroyed first and then its Kāraṇa, or cause upto the Prakṛti. And the Prakṛti is the main source of creation and is indestructible. This process affirms that the effect is destroyed first

and then the cause. But the view of the Advaitins is against and contrary to this valid experience. Because, in their view the Upādānakāraṇa viz., Ajñāna is said to have been destroyed first and then the effect viz., bondage is destroyed. But it never happens. And it is not intended by the Sūtrakāra also.¹⁰¹⁴ Moreover, the Advaita also admits the dissolution, starting from Prthivī to the Mahattatva and then its merging into Māyā or Ajñāna. This proves that the effect world is destroyed before its material cause viz., nescience. So the view of Advaita that the world or the bondage is removed by the [] removal of nescience is self-contradictory. To avoid this contradiction, it is to be accepted without hesitation that the Ajñāna is not the Upādānakāraṇa of this world of bondage.¹⁰¹⁵

The Dvaita stand is that there is real Svabhāvājñāna or inherent wrong knowledge that is beginningless. And this is of two aspects: one that conceals and makes the nature of the God unknown to the souls and second that veils the true nature of the souls. It is distinct and individual from one soul to another. And this wrong knowledge is removed by the knowledge through the grace of the God at the time of liberation.¹⁰¹⁶ Bondage is real and beginningless. It is not caused by the illusory nescience

as held by the Advaitins. So whatever is referred to be illusory, cannot be a cause of a real effect and vice-versa and also an object of destruction. The removal of or destruction becomes meaningful only when something is held to be real. So the view of the Advaitins regarding the removal of the bondage through the removal of nescience by knowledge has no meaning at all.¹⁰¹⁷

The nescience of the Advaitin is beginningless. In that list, the entities such as Kāla, Ākāśa and others are also counted. So these entities cannot be the effect of nescience since like nescience these two also are beginningless. So it is not proper to hold that all these are unreal (products of Ajñāna). When the above mentioned entities are not the effects of nescience, the question of their destruction by the removal of nescience does not arise.¹⁰¹⁸ So it is evident that the removal of world or bondage has nothing to do with the removal nescience. And it is also absurd to say that whatever is not removed by nescience cannot be removed at all by other means.

The above argument proves that the world is real and the bondage also is real. The beginningless and endless nature ~~ti~~ proves that the world is not destroyable by the knowledge. It is absolutely real like Brahman.¹⁰¹⁹ And

it is not a product of nescience. It is not removed by knowledge.¹⁰²⁰ It is the bondage which is also real is going to be destroyed by knowledge since both possess opposite nature. The darkness, that is real, can be removed by light possessing the real opposite nature and not by the unreal one. So nescience that is real and in the form of bondage could be removed by knowledge. It is the opposite nature that makes the removal possible and not the unreality.¹⁰²¹

Vādirāja says that even if the nominal withdrawal of Ajñāna by Vrttiñāna is accepted then, that leads to Anyonyāśraya. Because, unless there is withdrawal of Ajñāna there can be no jñāna and unless there is Jñāna there can be no withdrawal of Ajñāna.¹⁰²² According to the Advaita, the Vrttiñāna originates when it encompasses a particular object. And unless the Ajñāna is withdrawn, encompassing of an object is not possible. Vādirāja opines that the illustration of lamp given by the Advaitins is not supporting their contention. Because, the light of the lamp is possible though there is an object or not. But knowledge cannot arise unless it encompasses the object and objects may be encompassed only when the nescience that conceals the object is withdrawn. And this withdrawal is possible only when there arises the knowledge. Thus, there is

Anyonyāśrayādosa.^{1022A} And it cannot be held that inspite of the presence of nescience, let the Vṛttiñāna arise, because in that case knowledge cannot remove the nescience and reveal the objects. Further if opposite nature of nescience and knowledge is not accepted, then it is better and easy to say that the bondage can be removed by knowledge and not through the removal of nescience.¹⁰²³

Another view of the Advaita that Āikyajñāna or identity-knowledge gained from the scriptures removes the nescience and gets destroyed itself for the survival of Ātmaikya,¹⁰²⁴ is not correct. Because, knowledge can remove nescience and not itself like fire can burn other things and not itself.¹⁰²⁵

The opposite nature is the stock base for the destruction of one another. And that which is not of opposite nature, cannot cause any destruction. The nescience of the Advaitins, which is a cause of the effect viz., Vṛttiñāna, neither destroys knowledge nor gets destroyed by knowledge. Because, a cause cannot be opposed to effect in nature. So the idea of the Advaitins that identity-knowledge also gets destroyed itself for the survival Ātmaikya, is not correct.¹⁰²⁶

Though the Svarūpajñāna is concealed by nescience, it exist with nescience and its effects. The Ātmaikyajñāna originates through Manovṛttijñāna of the Śrutis. As a cause of this Manovṛttijñāna, nescience must be there. Thus, if nescience exists along with the Svarūpajñāna and the Vṛttijñāna then, it must be accepted that this Ajñāna leads to the Akhaṇḍārtthajñāna for liberation. If this would be the case then, it (Ajñāna) cannot be an Āvaraṇa or a preventing factor.¹⁰²⁷ Then, there is no sense in relating its concealment as bondage and withdrawal of the same as liberation.¹⁰²⁸

Vādirāja states that the very concept of Bhakti or devotion has no place in the Advaita. He says that even according to the Advaita, knowledge cannot remove nescience. The Advaitins accept a state called Jīvanmukti.¹⁰²⁹ It is between the gain of the Aikyajñāna and the destruction of the Līṅgaśarīra or the subtle body. When the Līṅgadeha is destroyed and Mahā avidyā is withdrawn, then there would be final liberation.¹⁰³⁰ This Līṅgadeha is also beginningless and is due to nescience. The Advaitins accept the view that both these Līṅgadeha and nescience would be active during Jīvanmukti-state even when there is the Aikyajñāna.¹⁰³¹ This makes it clear that the Aikyajñāna cannot remove the nescience. So Vādirāja asks: What guarantee

is there in the removal of nescience by the Aikyajñāna at the time of final liberation as it fails to do so during the Jīvanmukti state? That which is not burnt by wild fire, cannot verily be burnt by house-hold fire.¹⁰³² So the nescience present with knowledge during Jīvanmukti, cannot be removed by knowledge later on. Thus, the very idea of nescience and its removal by knowledge is untenable. It is the Bhakti or devotion an outcome of knowledge that removes the Ajñāna by earning the grace of the God.¹⁰³³ So the Bhakti is the means for liberation and not the Aikyajñāna. And moreover the knowledge of identity cannot effect or lead to devotion.

According to the Advaita, the world is treated as Āropita or superimposed or an illusory projection. That means, it is Ajñānāropita or superimposed by nescience. The Ajñāna of the Advaita has two powers namely, Āvaranaśakti and Viksepaśakti. The Āvaranaśakti is the power that conceals the true nature of Brahman and Viksepaśakti is the power that projects the world as it is.¹⁰³⁴ If this is accepted, then Brahman cannot observe the world before as well as after the concealment. After the concealment, Brahman being concealed by nescience, cannot observe anything including the world and before concealment as there is no projection of the world, Brahman cannot observe it.

Before concealment, there is no world to be observed and after concealment, there is no power to observe. So the world cannot be an illusory projection. It is true and ultimately real. The valid experience and also independent existence of objects ascertain the reality of the world.¹⁰³⁵ The relation of the observer and the observed is pertinent in all respects. So the world is real and not Āropita or illusory superimposition.

The Advaitins hold that Brahman, which is associated with Māyā aspect of Ajñāna, is Īśvara. And the Māyā Īśvara creates this world with his Māyā. The souls behold this Māyā-projected world. But this view is not correct. Because, the instance given by the Advaitins in support of this, is not a convincing and corroborating one. In magic, there may be illusory creation but the observers and their senses such as eyes and others are true. But in the case of souls as they are the creation of Avidyā, they are not true. Thus, the very aspect of illusory creation in the Advaita makes the souls also unreal. And moreover, this Īśvara cannot have the body etc., before the creation of them through Māyā. And as he has no body etc., he cannot create them. Thus, there is no Māyā in him.¹⁰³⁶ The acceptance of the effect of Māyā on Īśvara also leads to undesired conclusions. If it is held that

he is not affected then he is not an outcome of Ajñāna. If he is taken to be affected then he cannot influence it on others. Certainly, a magician who is affected by his own Māyā, cannot operate his Māyā on others. So the Īśvara may be affected or may not be affected by Māyā, but the reality of the world remains unharmed. Because, if the Īśvara has no illusion then the world is true to him. And if he has illusion then the world is true for others. Thus, in both the cases, the world remains true.¹⁰³⁷ Vādirāja asks: "What is the use of the potter and others when Brahman, with Ajñāna creates everything?" But as experience makes the presence of potter and others valid and real through their engagement, the world of wonderful things has to be accepted as real.¹⁰³⁸

The process of origination of the Vṛttijñāna in the Advaita is not acceptable. Because, according to the Advaita the objects are revealed to the observer when there is the withdrawal of Ajñāna temporarily. When the Ajñāna covers the Adhiṣṭhānacaitanya, it is not possible to see the objects. They also accept that there is a separate Ajñāna that covers each aspect of an object like colour, taste etc. But ~~this~~ this view gives rise to the acceptance of many Ajñānas that cover the Adhiṣṭhānas.

Further, if there is the withdrawal of nescience (removal of nescience) in case of one, then there may not be any illusion to him. But others may not have the withdrawal of nescience. And for realizing the object they are to be withdrawn one by one. But practically it never happens and hence it is absurd. Vādirāja taunts that the very acceptance of many Ajñānas makes the very small object being heavily loaded.¹⁰³⁹ And as the Adhiṣṭhānacaitanya is outside and the observer sentient soul is inside, it is not possible to have the realization of the object. And it cannot be held that owing to the ultimate oneness of them, the experience is possible. Because, in that case, let the two persons have a common experience since they are also ultimately one. But this does never take place. The Advaitins also say that the Jīva (Antahkaraṇa-vacchinnacaitanya) moves out of the body and mingles with Adhiṣṭhānacaitanya and it is the union of the two that reveals the object.¹⁰⁴⁰ This view is also not tenable because, the soul is of atomic size and he has no parts. So his moving outside and reaching the far away objects is impossible. Because, in that case, the body must remain dead till the soul comes back. Hence, the origin of the Vṛttijñāna itself is impossible.¹⁰⁴¹ Further, if it is admitted that the soul within the body goes out and assumes the form of an object, then the experience or

cognition must be 'I am a jar' and not as 'This is jar.'
 But in our experience, we never have the cognition as 'I
 am a jar.'¹⁰⁴² So the process of origination of Vṛttiñāna,
 held by the Advaitins, is not acceptable and hence it is
 not possible to prove that the world is an illusory projec-
 tion (superimposition).¹⁰⁴³ Further, Vādirāja states that
 even the empirical reality cannot be referred to. Because
 if the jar is there prior to illusion, then it is real like
 Brahman. If the experience as 'I am a jar' then it is
Prātibhāsika type (reality in appearance) as in 'I am white.'
 And jar cannot be identified with Cetana being. So
Vyāvahārikatā cannot be attributed to the world.¹⁰⁴⁴

The experiences such as 'This is a jar' and others
 do not refer to the Adhiṣṭhāna, Brahman. But, the very
 statement or experience only refers to the place and time.
 And moreover, it is not the superimposed pot. It is nothing
 but an expression that denotes an already existing entity.¹⁰⁴⁵
 Otherwise reference must be as 'Aham' and not as 'Ayam.'
 Further, in the Vṛttiñāna of an object, the concerned
 object must be true. Otherwise, there cannot be contact
 between the eye and the object. And contact of Adhiṣṭhāna-
caitanya with the senses like eye, is not possible as
Adhiṣṭhānacaitanya is a colourless object. This also
 makes it clear that the Adhiṣṭhāna Brahman as such is not

there and no expressions and experiences refer to this. So the things in this world are present without any Āropa or superimposition, and hence the world is true.¹⁰⁴⁶

A TRUE WORLD MUST BE ACCEPTED AS PRADHĀNA TO PROJECT AN ILLUSORY WORLD

The Advaitins hold that the things such as jar and others are created by nescience on the Adhiṣṭhānacaitanya. If this is accepted then created things must exist in all the times, as nescience and Adhiṣṭhānacaitanya are beginningless. Further, the created things must also be everywhere. But it is not the fact. When certain features of a similar object are present in an object, present before the eyes then, there arises an illusion. The conch-shell, as it appears similar to silver in brightness, one mistakes it for silver. But the Advaita Brahman cannot have any features of other objects as there have been no objects before the illusory projection of the world. So there cannot be any illusion of these objects. The objects, present must be true. Further for justifying the illusions, if corresponding similar objects are to be thought of, then it amounts to accepting the world of true objects. And this ultimately rules out the falsity of the world.¹⁰⁴⁷

Thus, the above explanation proves that there must be both Adhiṣṭhāna and Pradhāna (similar object for projecting an

illusion). And projection of an illusion is possible provided both the Adhiṣṭhāna and the Pradhāna are real. As shell is real, silver though illusorily projected, is real somewhere. It is because of the appearance of similar features such as brightness, the shell is mistaken for silver in the given context. And reality of both the shell and silver remains unharmed. It shows that both Brahman, the Adhiṣṭhāna and the real world to serve as the Pradhāna are necessary to project an illusory world. This proves the presence of the real world.¹⁰⁴⁸

Vādirāja also argues that, the projection of the world in the Adhiṣṭhāna, is possible only when there¹⁵ another real world (Pradhāna). And if that also is considered as Mithyā then projection is not possible. And if the projection or superimposition is momentary, then it does not disprove the¹⁰⁴⁹ reality of the world. Moreover, both Adhiṣṭhāna and Pradhāna must be real at the same time. If one of these two would be missing then also superimposition or projection is not possible as seen in the superimposition of silver and serpent. When conch-shell and rope are present, at the same time, the presence of silver and serpent are necessary somewhere else.¹⁰⁵⁰

The Advaitins state that the nescience is the material

that cause/produces the world-illusion. Vādirāja argues that the material cause cannot be the cause of an illusion. But it is the defect that is responsible to produce an illusion. The defect, during its operation produces the effect, viz., illusion and then it vanishes. As soon as the defect disappears, the illusion also disappears. The defect of distance causes the illusion of a person in a pole. But when the distance is covered the defect vanishes and there is no illusion of a person. In the Advaita the nescience is considered as the material cause. But it is evident that the material cause of an object is not at all a defect and hence it cannot be the cause to produce an illusion of that object. Clay, the material cause of a jar, is not at all considered as a defect to produce the illusion of a jar. In the same way, threads are also not responsible for producing an illusion of a piece of cloth.¹⁰⁵¹ So nescience of the Advaita, being the material cause cannot produce the illusory world. It can only prevent the knowledge. Vādirāja, citing examples, defends the above argument. He says that a wall or darkness may prevent the vision or appearance of an object but it cannot produce either knowledge or illusion of it. So the nescience can prevent the knowledge but it cannot produce either knowledge of any illusion.¹⁰⁵² Therefore, the nescience cannot be taken to be a defect for the projection of the illusory

world. As there is no proper aggregation of Adhiṣṭhāna, Pradhāna and Doṣa in the Advaita, there is no possibility of the projection of an illusory world. Therefore the world is not unreal. It is real.¹⁰⁵³

Vādirāja also points out that, as there is no substratum, fit and agreeable for superimposition and also as there is no any other world that is real and standard for superimposition, the created and existing world is real like Brahman.¹⁰⁵⁴ Thus, the world, being unsuperimposed entity, is absolutely real like Brahman. And the statements, the expressive meaning of which stand sublated, are to be understood in a different manner or implication.¹⁰⁵⁵

THE ADVAITA VIEW IS CONTRARY TO ANUBHAVA

Vādirāja shows that the view of the Advaitins regarding the world is contrary to the Anubhava also. In defence of this, he not only traces the valid perception of ordinary beings, but refers to the authentic authorities such as the Bhāgavata, Gītā and the like.

The Bhāgavata verses- 'Na yatra śrūyate māyā...¹⁰⁵⁶ and Māyā vyudasya citśaktya...¹⁰⁵⁷ make it clear that the Māyā of Advaitins is not there in the God.¹⁰⁵⁸ It is said that great sages Sanaka and others glorify and meditate upon

a real God who is ever free from delusion. If He too becomes deluded, no one would have praised Him.¹⁰⁵⁹ The Bhagavadgītā also clarifies that "the thought that grasps all things as illusory is Tāmasic in nature." This means only those who are of impure nature, behold and understand the world as an illusory creation.¹⁰⁶⁰ And the reference of Yogic perception, mentioned in the Śrutis and others, affirms that the object of perception must be real. Then only their perception has some meaning. The observance of religious austerities and the like is prescribed to realize the Truth and not the illusory nature of the things. Vādirāja says that the serpent-ornament on god Śiva is not a Rajjusarpa. So the falsity or illusory nature of the world cannot be acceptable as the very idea is baseless.¹⁰⁶¹ There is not a single scriptural statement that declares and supports the idea of the falsity of the world.

The Advaitins advance the view that the Mithyātva of the world is contended to overcome the difficulty in the Drg-drśya relation or the relation between the seer and the seen. According to the Advaita, experience or cognition is Mānasa or mental. It is called Drk. And the external object is called Drśya. When there is relation of these two, then only there is the knowledge

of the object. Hence, the object is taken to be mental in this sense. And this realization or knowledge of the relation is possible if it is considered as Superimposed on Brahman. So the experience is termed as the modification of Antahkaranāvacchinnacaitanya and the Dr̥śya or object as the modification of Viśayāvacchinnacaitanya. The Caitanya (the sentiency) is the source of these two. The relation of these two is described as Adhyāsa, Adhyastatva relation in the Advaita.¹⁰⁶² Vādirāja says that this stand is not correct. Because, it is not a novel and distinct relation apart from Jñāna-Jñeya or knowledge-known relation. Only difference is that Jñeya in Adhyāsa is considered as illusory whereas it is real in Jñāna-Jñeya relation. When the Jñeya object is, ^{true,} the relation between the experience and the object can be related without any difficulty. Even if this relation is not possible, the ground as well as the absence of jar cannot be rejected. In support of this, Vādirāja cites an instance most appealing one. If key of the temple door is unfound, it is not agreeable to demolish the temple.¹⁰⁶³ Hence, the difficulty in Dr̥g-Dr̥śya relation does not help to prove Jaganmithyātva because the very relation stated by the Advaitins is absurd.

In defence of this, Vādirāja, quoting the Bhagavadgītā statements, ridicules the view of the unreality of the

world of the Advaitins and states that even the Bhagavadgītā does not support and uphold the unreality view of the world.¹⁰⁶⁴

Further, Vādirāja asks: What is the Adhiṣṭhāna in Drg-Drśya relation of the Advaitins. Where actually is there the superimposition? Is it on the Śuddhacaitanya or on the Ghaṭāvacchinna Caitanya (qualified Caitanya) or on the Ghaṭopalakṣita Caitanya (indicated Caitanya)? Verily, the superimposition is not possible in the case of the latter two since the Adhiṣṭhāna such as Ghaṭa or pot has not come into existence. Because, it will come into existence only after the superimposition. And as the pot and the like become the cause of both the Adhiṣṭhāna and the Adhyasta it will lead to Ātmāśrayadoṣa or the defect of sitting on one's own shoulder. And as the Śuddhacaitanya is Niraṁśa or partless the superimposition on it, will be the superimposition on all things in all places. Then one has to see and experience all things at all places.¹⁰⁶⁵ But really speaking, it will not happen. Hence, the very Adhyāsa in the relation of Drg-Drśya is baseless and untenable. Therefore, the relation of Jñāna-Jneya is better. It constitutes the Viśaya-viśayi relation and will not lead to any absurdities pointed out above.

If the Adhyāsa is upheld then, as all experiences

involve Brahmajñāna, it should lead to liberation. Because, in the experience of Adhyāsa, experience of Adhyasta (superimposed) is gained along with the experience of Adhiṣṭhāna. It must be experienced in all Adhyāsa experiences. So Vādirāja ridicules that the Brahmajñāna in these experiences, should lead to liberation.¹⁰⁶⁶ But it never happens. And moreover, there is no scope for arguing that Savikalpakajñāna or distinctive knowledge of pot, cloth and the like will come in the way and prevent liberation; because, if once Brahmajñāna originates its operation cannot be prevented by anything. And if it is not capable to ward off the preventing factors and accomplish liberation here and now, then it can never do so. Burning of fire cannot be obstructed by the spread of grass. Fire burns the entire green with grass to ashes.¹⁰⁶⁷ In the same way, if at all there is knowledge of Brahman which is the Adhiṣṭhāna in the illusory experience, that Brahmajñāna, being competent by nature should lead to liberation. But it does not happen. So the very concept of superimposition is not agreeable. And it will not serve any purpose to prove the things of the world as unreal.

The Advaitins refer to the Śruti 'Tamevabhāntamanubhānti sarvam...'¹⁰⁶⁸ etc. and say that this statement points at the origin of the Vṛttijñāna. Their interpretation

of this passage is: "The experience of Adhiṣṭhāna Brahman is the source of all experiences when that is revealed by the temporary withdrawal of Ajñāna." Vādirāja says that there is no scope for such interpretation. The import of the statement agreeable to the context is "Sun reveals all objects first and then we know them with our eyes." The sun's revealing the objects is also mentioned in the Gītā- Yadādityagatatmatejo jagadbhāsayate akhilam...¹⁰⁶⁹ Vādirāja gives two different and deep meanings of this statement. One is: All the luminous entities such as sun, moon and others derive their brilliance from the God.¹⁰⁷⁰ Second is: "The God is self-luminant and He does not require anything else to get illumined Himself whereas others solely depend upon Him to know themselves and also to know other things."¹⁰⁷¹ It also means that the knowledge of the God helps to self-realization. Thus, there is no hint or clue regarding the process of the Vṛttijñāna in this passage.

Vādirāja also assures that, the above given passage glorifies the self-realizing or luminous nature of God and also His all knowing nature of the world. He is extolled as Omniscient in this passage.¹⁰⁷²

THE MEANING OF BĀDHA IN THE ADVAITA IS UNTENABLE AND HENCE
DOES NOT SUPPORT MITHYĀTVA

The Advaita holds that at the gain of Brahmajñāna, all the entities other than Brahman stand sublated. This is what is called Bādha or sublation in the Advaita. But Vādirāja says that the Advaita cannot explain this sublation properly. He poses the question: "Is this Bādha true or not?" If it is held true then, it is nothing but accepting another real entity which in turn makes the very sublation impossible, and also spoils the very idea of Advaita. And if it is not true, then it cannot sublimate any entity. Thus in both the cases, the theory of sublation cannot be sustained.¹⁰⁷³ In the Advaita the Brahmajñāna or the sublating knowledge is taken to destroy the nescience and then the world. Thus it is not sublation but destruction like the destruction of a pot. Further, 'sublation' is explained as the realization of the absence of the object relating to all the three times- past, present and future. But this is not correct. There is not a thing that could deny certain thing at all the three times basing on the relating.¹⁰⁷⁴ The denial is possible provided something is real at sometime.

Vādirāja promises that the 'Ekamevādvītiyam' Śruti does not deal with any kind of sublation. It does not deny

the presence of objects other than Brahman. But, it states that there is not even a single object equal or superior to Brahman. Likewise the Śruti- 'Neha nānāsti...' also does not deny the objects other than Brahman but it denies the internal differences in Brahman in respect of His qualities, incarnations and the like. Thus, these passages do not support the 'sublation' and the Viśvamithyātva. As Vyāvahārikasattā means ultimately non-existence, it cannot afford the chance of some type of real existence to any objects. The acceptance of the Vyāvahārikasattā does not make the objects real for their sublation.¹⁰⁷⁵ Vādirāja says that the Śruti 'Bhidyate hrdayagranthih'^{1075A} does not refer to either sublation or total destruction. It mentions the destruction of Karma, Punya, Pāpa and the like. So by the Brahmajñāna neither sublation nor even the destruction of the entire world is possible. The world has been there since beginningless times and so far none has experienced its sublation. Thus, the very fact proves the reality of the world. Vādirāja states also the syllogism: "World is absolutely real since it does not get sublated like Brahman." This argument is defectless in all the respects and hence establishes the reality of the world. The passage, 'Viśvam satyam'^{1075B} also substantiates the reality of the world. Thus, there is not even a single evidence, may be of any kind, that could refer to Jaganmithyātva.¹⁰⁷⁶

The Advaita considers this world as Sadasadvilakṣaṇa or inexplicable as either existing or non-existing. That means, it is neither real nor unreal. It is different from both. The Advaitins say that the passage 'Nā-asad-āsīt no sad-āsīt...'^{1076A} supports their Sadasadvilakṣaṇa concept. But, really speaking it does not support. Because, if Asad is understood as it stands for Atyantābhāva or absolute non-existence then, there is no point in negating once again by 'Na āsīt.' The Atyantābhāva as its very name clarifies, can never be present either in Pralaya or in Sṛṣṭi. Therefore the expression 'Na āsīt' regarding it serves no purpose. And as Sat or existence is not expected to be in Pralaya by the Advaitins there is no need to deny it. So this passage does not explain the Sadasadvilakṣaṇatva of the Advaitins. It simply conveys that Asat is always absent and Sat is absent only during Pralaya. And further, as Sat is meant to be Brahman by the Advaitins, their contention is supposed to deny even the existence of Brahman during Pralaya. Hence it leads to Brahmamithyātva¹⁰⁷⁷ which no Advaitin will ever dare to accept. Thus the passage does not support the Sadasadvilakṣaṇatva and the Jagan-mithyātva of the Advaitins. The reality is the prime-import of all the passages as shown above.

ŚUKTIRAJATA IS NOT SADASADVILAKṢANA AND ASAT-PRATĪTI POSSIBLE

The Advaita-concept of Sadasadvilakṣana means neither real or existing nor unreal or non-existing. The world, according to the Advaitins, is Sadasadvilakṣana that means it is neither real nor unreal. As an example they refer to the Śuktirajata or the shell-silver and Rajjusarpa or the rope-serpent. The Śuktirajata and Rajjusarpa should be distinguished from a Śaśaviṣāṇa or hare's horn and or the son of a barren woman. Vandhyāputra. The Śaśaviṣāṇa is totally non-existent whereas the Śuktirajata, being real and unreal, is not totally aśat. Hence it is Sadasadvilakṣana. The Śuktirajata or Rajjusarpa are real to the extent that they are not real because they are sublated. The Advaita-argument is 'Sat cet na bādhyeta, aśat cet na pratiyeta.' Vādirāja says that this argument is defective and fallacious. Because, both the Rajjusarpa and the Śuktirajata are also Asat. He argues that Asat-Pratīti, the knowledge of non-existent is possible, that means there can be the knowledge of Śaśaviṣāṇa. But it is true that this knowledge of Asat is defective verbal comprehension. In ordinary verbal comprehension, true relation between the word and the corresponding object is necessary. But in the case of Asat it is not possible. Though defective, verbal comprehension is possible in the case of Asat. The defective comprehension or verbal experience of Śuktirajata or Rajjusarpa does not lead to any Sat-Pratīti because the two are

Asat. Vādirāja argues that there is no difference in both the experiences of Śaśaviṣāṇa and Śuktirajata or Rajjusarpa. Because the non-existent state of the entity that is experienced, is common in both the cases.¹⁰⁷⁸ So there is no ground to treat them separately or differently. In the case of the Śaśaviṣāṇa, the defective experience is verbal and in the case of the Śuktirajata, defective experience is perceptual. But experience, being defective, is common in both. And moreover, the entities, referred to in both the cases, are Asat. Hence, both the experiences are about the Asat or non-existents.¹⁰⁷⁹

But the Advaitins defend and argue that both the Śuktirajata experience and the Śaśaviṣāṇa-experience are to be distinguished. Because, illusion of Rajata takes place only in respect of Śukti and illusion of Sarpa in Rajju. And this happens due to previous experience of Rajata or Sarpa. He, who has no previous experience of these, cannot have the illusions. So the contents of previous experience are not totally Asat. But in the case of the Śaśaviṣāṇa-comprehension the entity is totally Asat. But this argument is not correct. Because, the Rajata or Sarpa that were experienced earlier cannot be the contents of this experience because they are not physically present in this experience. It is the element of similarity of the objects

already experienced and of the object present before, that leads to illusion. If there is no similarity then there can be no illusion. The contents or objects of previous experience are no doubt, real but the contents of this experience are as much Asat as the Śaśaviṣāṇa. The previous experience, through similarity, leads to illusion but it cannot contribute the reality to the contents of this experience. The defects may be different in respect of the Śuktirajata and the Śaśaviṣāṇa but common fact is that both the experiences are Asat-nature. And as already mentioned, there is every possibility to have the verbal cognition or perceptual cognition of the Asat. And this cognition is due to the defects involved. So the world cannot be Sadasadvilakṣaṇa. And its cognition is possible in either case, real or unreal.

REFUTATION OF VIŚIṢṬAJÑĀNA ORIGINATING FROM VIŚEṢANAJÑĀNA

The Advaitins explain that the Viśiṣṭajñāna or distinctive knowledge originates from the Viśeṣanajñāna or the knowledge of attributive. In their opinion, the content of the previous experience of true Rajata is the Viśeṣaṇa. That means the previous experience is Viśeṣanajñāna. And the Śuktirajata experience is the Viśiṣṭajñāna. It is this Viśeṣanajñāna that is responsible for the Viśiṣṭajñāna. But Vādirāja says that in the Śuktirajata

experience it is not the previous experience of true silver as Viśeṣana that is responsible but it is the similarity of shell and silver that has led to the shell-silver experience.¹⁰⁸⁰ But this experience involves a non-existing silver as the content of the experience.

Then one may raise the objection: How does the non-existing silver get related with the eye? If not, without the contact of the eye and the object how can there be perceptual experience? Vādirāja replies that it is impossible to trace and to show the relation since the very object silver is not at all real. Even the Advaitins cannot show the contact in this case. Here the contact is not with the unreal silver but it is with the shell itself. And this shell due to defect and similarity, is taken to be responsible to lead to the illusion of a non-existing silver. The shell-silver experience and hare's horn experience are of the same kind. There is no difference at all. To prove this, Vādirāja advances a syllogism: Vimataḥ śūktirajataḥ na asataḥ vyatirīcyate trikālyān niṣedhyatvāt and promises that there is no difference between the shell-silver experience and the hare's horn experience, since the contents of both the experiences are unreal. Hence, it is not possible for the Advaitins to establish Sadasadvilakṣaṇatva or Mithyātva of the world on the basis of the shell-

silver because, as shown the shell-silver itself is not inexplicable.

SATTĀ OR REALITY OF BRAHMAN IS NOT ADHIṢṬHĀNAGATA

According to the Advaita, it is not the jar as an entity that is perceived but it is the Sattā or reality of Brahman, underlying the jar that is perceived. It believes that things have no reality of their own in this world. But this view is not correct. Because, Pratyakṣa or perception alone is sufficient to prove the reality of the things of the world.

The direct perceptual experience of the things as 'Ghataḥ san', 'Paṭaḥ san' ascertains the reality of the things of the world.¹⁰⁸¹ When this experience of reality originates, it will not come in the way of past and future experiences. Because, this experience has the reference with past, present and future. And it is perceived by the eye supported by the Sākṣin. The Sākṣin is capable to perceive even the time factor, may be past, present and future. So when the defectless eye perceives the reality of the things with reference to the time present, then it is understood that the reality of the things stands perceived with reference to the past and future also. There also the support of the Sākṣin is evident.

Here the defectless nature of the senses like eye is most important and also responsible for the perception of the reality. It is the defectless nature of the senses that with the support of the Sākṣin, widens the scope of the present perception or comprehension of reality stretching to the past and the future. When the eye perceives a thing having colour, it not only perceives the colour of the object but also the reality of the object. Because, the colour itself is not an object or reality. Neither the colour has any colour nor the reality of the colour has any colour. It is the colour of the object. So the perception of the coloured object means perception of the colour as well as the reality of the object. And the perception of this reality is not restricted to the present time but to the time in general. So it ascertains the fact that objects with their reality are always perceived by defectless senses. If senses are defective then the comprehension of the reality of the object is not possible. Thus, the reality of the things of the world could be established by perceptual experiences.

According to the Advaita, the things of the world such as jar and others have no reality. It is the Sattā or reality of Brahman that is reflected. The experiences like 'Ghaṭa san' and others are related to this Sattā

that is underlying (Adhiṣṭhāna). But this view is not tenable. Because, Vādirāja doubts as to what happens in the case those experiences such as Nīlo ghataḥ, Nīlo pataḥ and the like? To what does this Nīlatva belong? Is it only reflected in Ghata? According to the Advaita, this Nīlatva should be understood as belonging to Brahman. And in experiences as Asaḍ rajātam, Asattva should also belong to Brahman. As Sattva of Ghata belongs to Brahman, on the same ground Nīlatva as well as Asattva should also be taken as belonging to Brahman.¹⁰⁸² But this is unworthy and also contrary to the Advaita. Because, in that case, in view of the experiences, Brahman would be having attributes (Nīlatva) sometimes and it would be Mithyā (Asaḍ) sometimes. Thus it lands into absurdity. Hence, in the experiences San ghataḥ and others Sattva is the Sattva of Ghata and not of Brahman. Because, as Ghata etc., are Pratyakṣa, Brahman is not Pratyakṣa; when Brahman is not Pratyakṣa how can the Sattā of It be Pratyakṣa in Ghata? Vādirāja says that it is not possible to see the invisible ghost in visible objects. In the same way Sattā of Brahman cannot be seen in Ghata etc. It is the Sattā of respective entity seen there. Further the experiences such as Bhūtale ghataḥ san ākāśe ghataḥ asan ascertain the fact that Sattva and Asattva are referred to Ghata and not to Brahman. The Sattva and Asattva factors of material objects cannot be referred to as belonging to Brahman.

Further, Vādirāja points out the possibility of explaining the experiences of Ghataḥ san, according to the Advaita. The Advaita-contention is that the Sattā of Brahman is reflected in the experiences. And this type of experience may be explained in one of the four ways: 1) The Sattā of Brahman - the Adhiṣṭhāna continues to be present in Ghata etc.; 2) The Sattā does not continue, but the Brahmaniṣṭhā Sattā is superimposed; 3) The Sattā is in Brahman. The Ghata is experienced as Ghata and not as San ghataḥ. The Sattā that is experienced belongs to Brahman; 4) The Ghata has separate Sattā and the same Sattā is experienced as it is.¹⁰⁸³ In the first case, however, the Sattā is accepted in Ghata. And hence, the purpose of attributing Sattā is served. In the second view the Sattā being superimposed leads to the superimposition of Cittva also since, in the Advaita, Sattva and Cittva are inseparable. If the Sattva alone is superimposed then it indicates the absence of the Cittva in the Ghata etc. Hence the Cittva in the Ghata stands sublated. When the Cittva stands sublated then, on account of invariable concomittance the Sattva also stands sublated. And in the Advaita whatever stands sublated is Prātibhāsika. But the Ghata and others are treated as Vyāvahārika in the Advaita. It is evident that the Ghata and others that are Jada are distinct from Cit. So the Sattva of the Ghata etc., is not same as the Sattva

of the Cit. The Sattva of the Cit cannot be present in the Ghaṭa etc., that are Jada. The Sattva of the Cit and the Sattva of the Jada are distinct to each other.¹⁰⁸⁴ In the third alternative, the Sattva is stated as belonging to Brahman. If that would be the case, how can then it get reflected in the experiences Ghaṭaḥ san and the like. And the acceptance of transfer of the Sattā of Brahman to the Ghaṭa and the like leads to the acceptance of Anyathākhyāti-vāda of Nyāya-vaiśeṣikas. But both the Dvaita and the Advaita do not accept this. Therefore, the third alternative is untenable. The fourth case that accepts the Sattā for entities like the Ghaṭa, is welcomed. Because, here it is not the Vyāvahārika Sattā or ephemeral reality that is taken into account but the Pāramārthikasattā, the ultimate reality. It is also not the Prātibhāsika sattā or illusory reality. Because, this Sattā for Ghaṭa does not get sublated. It stands unsublated since the experience of the Sattā of the Ghaṭa is Pratyakṣa or perceptual experience. The contention of the Advaitins that it is the Śabda-pramāṇa or testimony that supposes the sublation, is not correct. Because, in such cases, the testimony cannot invalidate the experience derived from perception. When there arises the conflict between perception and testimony, the latter is to be reinterpreted and explained in accordance with perception.¹⁰⁸⁵ To

ascertain as to which Pramāṇa is stronger and which is weaker, there are certain criteria which are Upajīvyā-Upajīvaka, Niravakāśa-Sāvakāśa and the like. And the principles such as Pūrvāpara, Vidhi-niṣedha and others that are accepted and advocated by the Advaita, do not serve any purpose. Further, this pattern of Pūrvāpara lands to prove the Smṛti to be superior to the Śruti. And the Vidhi-niṣedha principle may lead to negate sacrificial Himsā. So these principles cannot determine the strength or weakness of the Pramāṇas.

The Pratyakṣa or perception is Upajīvyā and hence it is stronger. If at all there is conflict between perception and inference, the inference is to be rejected in favour of perception. And if there is conflict between perception and testimony, then testimony is to be interpreted and explained in accordance with perception.

Therefore, Vādirāja says that experience of Sattā in the expressions San ghataḥ and the like has valid support of perception. And this experience, which is relevant in all respects, cannot be overthrown by any other Pramāṇas. So in the experiences San ghataḥ and the like it is the Sattā or reality of the Ghata that is experienced and not the Sattā of Brahman underlying it.

PRATYAKSA IS PRABALA

In the experiences of the pot and others, Pratyaksa or perception is the superior authority or valid means of knowledge or means of valid knowledge. And this perception cannot be sublated by any other Pramāṇas. If at all there are some defects then the experience of this perception is not valid. A defectless perception is the superior valid means of knowledge to others. In the experiences of pot and the like as there are no defects, perception is unobstructed. Perception in such cases reveals and confirms the reality of those objects. Thus, perception helps to prove the reality of the things of the world. Since the nescience is not related with insentiency, it cannot be a defect in respect of insentient things.¹⁰⁸⁶ Even according to the Advaita, nescience cannot be there as a defect. Because, at the time Ghaṭapratyakṣa, nescience concealing the Adhiṣṭhāna caitanya underlying the pot, is withdrawn. Therefore, in the Ghaṭapratyakṣa there cannot be nescience as a defect.

As already stated perception being Upajīvyā or supporting evidence is stronger. Accordingly the perception of the world becomes Upajīvyā and testimony cannot invalidate it. Vādirāja says that even the Brahmaparokṣa and the Aikya-śrutis of the Advaita cannot invalidate the perception

of the world because in the Advaita, Brahmāparokṣa is Niṣprakāra and the Śrutis are Akhaṇḍārtahabodhaka. If it is held that these two contradict the perception then, the very nature of Niṣprakāratva of Brahmāparokṣa and Akhaṇḍārtatva of the Śrutis would be no more. Hence, these do not invalidate the reality of the world which is substantiated by perception. And on the other hand, passages Ekavijnānena sarvavijnāna and others prove the reality of the world. Because, Sarvavijnāna or the knowledge of all is possible only when there is Sarvasatyatva or the reality of all. And this is none other than Viśvasatyatva.¹⁰⁸⁷

If inference contradicts perception then, it is sure that concerned inference is fallacious. Hence, inference cannot invalidate the perception since perception is superior to inference. And moreover, inference functions on the basis of the source of information already ascertained by perception. Perception free from defects cannot be invalidated by testimony (Āgama).

Further, superficial meaning of Āgama or scriptural statements is not valid always and every where. The expressed meaning of Ādityoyūpaḥ, Yajamānaḥ prastaraḥ and such other passages serves no purpose. If this literal or superficial meaning is insisted on, then there is no practical utility of these statements. Hence, it becomes

rather clear that whenever there is a conflict between Āgama and perception, Āgama is to be reinterpreted in accordance with perception. Vadiraja points out that even the Advaitins do not interpret the passages- Tattvamasi and the like literally. Because, in that case the literal interpretation conveys the Viśiṣṭaika which is not at all accepted by the Advaita. In the same way, the literal import of the passage Sarvam khalvidam Brahma appears to convey the identity of the insentient and the sentient. But the Advaita does not accept this identity.¹⁰⁸⁸ Vadiraja refers to the scope of the grammar and asserts that there is every possibility and also sanction of the grammar to understand the particular case meaning with regard to another in the Veda. He also quotes the reference of usages of the Gītā and the Mahābhārata where the word Sarva is used in connection with different case-meaning. This confirms that there is scope to reinterpret the scriptural passages to avoid their conflict with perception. So as perception of the world is defectless, it cannot be disproved by any other means of knowledge.

DREAM-OBJECTS ARE REAL AND ASAT HAS NO ARTHAKRIYĀKĀRITVA

So far the objects experienced during the waking state are proved as real. Not only these objects are true but even the objects seen in the dreams are also true. The

true nature of dream-objects is explained by the Sūtrakāra in the Brahmasūtra-Sandhye sr̥ṣṭiḥ āha hi (III.11.2) and others.¹⁰⁸⁹ There it is explained that the dream-objects are produced by Vāsanā or past impressions and hence they are subtle. But their true nature is not negated. No doubt that the nature of the dream-objects differs from that of the objects of waking state. It is because of the cause. This difference does not harm their true nature. This is also evident from the fact that they cause certain effects such as pleasure, fear and so on. As the dream-objects are true, their experiences are also true. The objects, seen during a dream, may not be seen in the waking state. And this also does not disprove their true nature. As the objects, seen in the dream have some effects, there must be some causes that produce them. Because, only real causes produce real results. An unreal cause can lead to no results. And there is no condition as such that causes must be of the same nature in all respects.¹⁰⁹⁰

Vādirāja refers to the Advaita view that the cause precedes the effect. It is the true Adhiṣṭhāna caitanya as a cause that leads to the effect of Āropita. Thus, it proves that without a cause, an effect cannot take place. So the dream-objects, being effects must have causes of

their own. And that is the Vāsanā or previous impressions. And there are some causes that are present everywhere and at all times such as Ākāśa, Kāla and others. Brahman is also the ever-present cause of all creations,¹⁰⁹¹

The Advaita view that in the ultimate analysis, the scriptures are also unreal but they produce the true knowledge of Ātmaikya, is not correct. Because, whatever is unreal or non-existent has no Arthakriyākāritva or capacity to give rise to desired fruits. That means non-existent cannot produce a real thing. So too false statement cannot give rise to true knowledge. Vādirāja opines that the false knowledge originates from false circumstances. Because of false circumstances it may happen sometimes that the lustre of the gem is mistaken for gem, a Śākhācandra for Candra and the like. Here it is the false circumstances that produce false knowledge. So if scripture is held to be unreal Mithyā then the knowledge, originated from it, must also be unreal. So the Ātmaikya-knowledge, caused from unreal scriptures, will also be unreal. And this unreal identity will not lead to any real liberation. Thus acceptance of passage as unreal lands the Advaitins in unreality in all respects. Because, unreal passage cannot produce true knowledge and then unreal knowledge cannot lead to true liberation. Thus, it results into

everything to be unreal that has no Arthakriyākāritva or effectiveness.

DRŚYATVA AND OTHER HETUS DO NOT PROVE MITHYĀTVA BUT SATYATVA

The Advaitins hold that the causes or reasons viz., Drśyatva or being seen, Jadatva or insentiency and Pari-
cchinnavatva or limitedness establish the unreality of the world. Really speaking, these causes do not prove unreality of the world. Vādirāja critically examines and proves that on the other hand these causes or reasons establish the reality of the world. Drśyatva is the fact of being the object of experience. It cannot prove Mithyātvā since it is not Nirupākhya. The Nirupākhya is that object which has no form of expression of its own. Therefore, it is nothing but non-existent. Further it cannot be described in anyway. But if an object is Drśya, then it cannot be of formless nature. The Drśyatva ascertains the respective form of the object and it is quite opposite of formlessness. So Drśyatva since ascertains the form of the object, does not prove unreality of that object, but proves reality of the same. Thus, Drśyatva does not help to prove unreality of the world. Similarly, the second reason, insentiency also proves not the unreality of the world. But it proves that the world is not sentient. It is only the negation of sentiency

and not of the reality of the world. And the third reason Paricchinnavatva deals with the proves the nature of limit in respect of space, time and the like but not unreality of the world. Thus, all these reasons do not establish the unreality of the world. As there is no difference ultimately in the Vyāvahārikasatyatva and the Mithyāatva according to the Advaitins, the world cannot also be considered as Vyāvahārikasatya. And moreover, neither of these reasons prove this Vyāvahārikasatyatva. Therefore, the world is as real as Brahman.¹⁰⁹²

Vādirāja asserts that the Viśvapratyakṣa or perception of the world cannot be erroneous. Because, there must be some or other defect for an erroneous perception. As there is no any defect in Viśvapratyakṣa, it cannot be erroneous. And Avidyā of the Advaita can also not be a defect in this respect. If this Avidyā is taken to be a defect then what would be the nature of Avidyā, the defect. Vādirāja explains this Avidyā in three ways:

- (1) It is a defect without having any definite role;
- (2) It is a defect that prevents true knowledge;
- (3) And it is a defect that produces erroneous knowledge.

In the first case, the Avidyā is a defect but as there is no any particular role to be played, even merits will become demerits in some cases. In the second alternative,

Avidyā, being a defect, may prevent Brahmajñāna which is true knowledge but not the Viśvapratyakṣa. So Avidyā cannot be a defect for Viśvapratyakṣa and as it is not a defect it cannot be held to its illusion. In the third case, as Avidyā or nescience is untenable, the view that Avidyā produces erroneous knowledge is not correct. Because, the knowledge of pot and the like does not consist of any erroneous element. It is not experienced by perception. So there is no scope for Avidyā, making something erroneous. And further when something is mistaken for something else then, only there arises erroneous knowledge. But in the knowledge of a pot it is not mistaken for something else. So nescience being unreal, cannot be a defect in the knowledge of the things of the world. Hence, there is no change for any erroneous experience due to this.

And further, in the Advaita, the Avidyā belongs to Brahman and not to any other since Brahman alone is Sat. When it is said that the Avidyā belongs to Brahman it may produce erroneous experience in Brahman but not in souls, the matter and means of knowledge like Pramāṇas, perception and others. So Avidyā, since being not connected with the world, cannot prove unreality of the world. In the Advaita, Brahman is declared to be the Adhiṣṭhāna for pot and other objects. And for attributes potness and the like, the very

objects become Adhiṣṭhāna or locus. So the fact that Brahman is the locus is given up. And these potness and the like, cannot be the erroneous projections of Brahman.¹⁰⁹³ If Brahman is taken to be the locus for potness then very idea would be a endless one.

The Advaitins hold that the world is unreal because, the nescience is the material cause for the world. But it is not correct because nescience cannot be the material cause for the world. Because, it is our stock experience that the objects in the world have respective material causes. E.g. a pot has the earth as its material cause therefore, nescience need not be fabricated and taken to be as material cause. According to the Advaita also, nescience is withdrawn at the time of perception of objects pot and others. That means the nescience in the form of material cause is not present at the time of perception. It amounts to saying that mud is not present when a pot is perceived. That means effect remains without a cause, which is absurd. Hence, nescience can never be the material cause for the world. And world is not the illusory projection.¹⁰⁹⁴

It is proved that the objects of the world are real. As the objects are real, the attributes of these objects are also real. The Advaitins hold that the attributes

potness and the like, are not real. But this contention is not correct. Vādirāja doubts as what is the ground for this negation of attributes? Is it with reference to Brahman? If the denial of the attributes is with reference to the objects then, the attributes of one object may be observed in some other objects as all of them are illusory projections. And if the denial of the attributes is with reference to Brahman then the very denial will not affect the real presence of objects. Thus, it proves the reality of the attributes of the objects. So potness and the like are as real as the very objects. As there is no any sublation of the experience, these attributes are not at all simply ephemeral. Hence, all the attributes such as Jāti, Guṇa, Karma and other of the things of the world are real.¹⁰⁹⁵

In the Advaita, the means of valid knowledge like perception are the products of nescience. And hence, their contention is that they are not true in the ultimate analysis of Truth. But this is wrong. Because, this nescience is not the material cause for this world. As already pointed out earlier, this world stands unsublated to our valid perception, and these means cannot be due to nescience. Otherwise the experience of the world must be sublated. The argument of the Advaita that there is no

real world since there are no means to establish it and there are no means since there is nothing to be established, involves Anyonyāśrayadōṣa.¹⁰⁹⁶ Not only that, the very contention and argument of the Advaita would cause the negation of the very existence of Brahman. So means like perception and the like are not due to nescience.

Vādirāja argues that the nescience of the Advaita, since being beginningless, is to be considered as true. As it is beginningless one more nescience need not be envisaged for this nescience. When nescience is true, how then the means of knowledge be false? Though they are taken due to nescience, they are not false. Further, just without taking into consideration the beginninglessness of nescience, if it is argued that nescience is unreal then, it cannot be proved by the valid means perception and others that arise out of it. Thus, the very concept nescience stands baseless. And this cannot establish the unreality of the world.

One more contention of the Advaita that whatever is Arthakriyākāri is Mithyā. As there is Arthakriyākāritva in the world, it is not real. This contention of the Advaita verily denies the practical utility of the things of the world. So Arthakriyākāritva must be taken to be

the prime-base of reality. If not then, that amounts to saying that thirst can be quenched by mirage. Thirst is satisfied when one drinks water and not by mirage. Otherwise, there should not be any difference between water and mirage.¹⁰⁹⁷ And acceptance of different degrees of reality does not help the Advaita to prove unreality of any kind. Difference in the degrees of existence is not the criterion for unreality and reality but it is the sublation and non-sublation that ascertains the unreality and reality.

Therefore, it is evident that reality is responsible for Arthakriyākāritva. The Advaitins, who accept Arthakriyākāritva of the world, have to admit voluntarily the Satyatva of the world.¹⁰⁹⁸ The idea of Vyāvahārikasatyatva of the Advaita does not contribute Arthakriyākāritva of any kind. Because, the very idea of Vyāvahārikasatyatva is nothing but Asattva or non-existence. And a non-existent cannot be Arthakriyākāri. Thus, it is proved that wherever there is Arthakriyākāritva there is Satyatva. So the world is real as it is Arthakriyākāri.

This real world is created by Brahman. He being sentient, is the creator of this world. That which is insentient and material does have the power of creation. Therefore, nescience of the Advaita since being material,

cannot be the creator. It cannot contribute any Arthakriyā-kāritva to the world. The Bhāgavata and authorities works declare that Brahman is the sole Independent creator of this world. Hence, the Arthakriyākāritva of the world is due to Brahman. So the reality of the world remains unaffected.

Vādirāja promises that not only perception and scriptures establish the reality of the world, even inference also establishes the world-reality. The syllogisms pots and the like are real because there is unobstructed contact in between eye and those things. Pillar, pitcher and other objects are real since those are connected with each other; establish the reality of the world.¹⁰⁹⁹ When defectless sense organs produce the knowledge, the knowledge must be true. And the objects of this knowledge are also true. The verses Nayatva Māyā..., Āpaśca Pramīnanti and others make it clear that the Lord does not create anything illusorily. When there is no illusory creation, the knowledge, gained, need not be about illusory objects. Thus, neither scriptures nor inference nor even perception supports the unreality view of the Advaitins. All these authorities support the reality of the world.

TEN ARGUMENTS AGAINST ĀROPA

Here Vādirāja summarises the ten arguments that are adduced in the Viśvasaurabha for the refutation of Mithyā-tva or unreality. The arguments are delineated by the way of exposing defects in the Advaita contention of Mithyātva or unreality.

Prof. K.T. Pandurangi has succinctly enlisted them as follow:-

"(1) Nowhere in the Śruti the reality of the world is denied;

(2) Nowhere in the Śruti it is stated that the world does not exist at all the three times (and merely appears);

(3) The so-called Advaita Śrutis which are supposed to imply Mithyātva are Akhaṇḍārtbabodhaka. Therefore, they are not capable of conveying anything more than the Akhaṇḍārtha of Ātmaikya. Hence, they do not convey Mithyātva of the world;

(4) The final Brahmapramāṇa which is supposed to imply Mithyātva of other things is also not capable of it since it is Nirvikalpaka and cannot convey anything more than Brahman.

(5) The attributes Ghaṭatva etc., are not denied in their respective abodes and therefore, their unreality cannot be established.

(6) The Śabda-pramāṇa is found suitably reinterpreted whenever it conflicts with Pratyakṣa. Therefore, so-called Mithyātvā Śrutis have to be reinterpreted to conform to Pratyakṣa that establishes Viśvasatyatva.

(7) Ekavijnānena sarvavijnāna is possible only if other things are true.

(8) There are Śruti passages that directly state Viśvasatyatva.

(9) Āropa of the world over Brahman cannot be properly explained.

(10) If so called Mithyā Śrutis have to be honoured why not honour the Śrutis like Asadeva idam agre āsīt and consider Brahman as Asat? If Asatva Śruti has to be suitably reinterpreted, then the so called Mithyātvā Śrutis also have to be reinterpreted to avoid conflict with Viśvasatyatvapratyakṣa.¹¹⁰⁰

Thus, Vādirāja establishes that it is not possible to establish the Viśvamithyātvā by any means of knowledge. All the means jointly and ultimately declare the Viśvasatyatva. Vādirāja humbly acknowledges the credit to Madhva and says that it is he who has given these ten arguments to prove the reality of the world refuting the unreality tried to be established by the Advaitins.

V. PHALASAURABHA

ŚRAVANA, MANANA AND NIDHIDHYĀSANA ETC., ARE THE MEANS OF LIBERATION

Śravaṇa, Manana and Nidhidhyāsa are the three aids of the mind that in course of time, enable the mind to attain the Aparokṣajñāna of the Lord. The contention of the Advaita is that the knowledge alone removes nescience. But it is untenable. Because, if knowledge alone were to remove nescience, then, liberation would have been immediately after knowledge. But this does not happen. And moreover, if it is said that nescience does not become an obstacle to Manovṛttijñāna, then Brahmasākṣātkāra, through the mind would be for ever. But it never happens.¹¹⁰¹ So to get removed the obstacle, sacred hearing etc., are wanted. The contention of the Advaita is defectful since it leads to Anyonyāśrayadoṣa (mutual dependence) of two types. If nescience becomes an obstacle to the mind for Brahmadarśana or even if it does not become, the defect of mutual dependence is inevitable. When nescience is removed, there is Brahmadarśana and at Brahmadarśana only nescience can be removed. Secondly, if nescience is not an obstacle then there should be always direct vision and if there is direct vision always then there cannot be obstacle of nescience.¹¹⁰² So if nescience is accepted then, there cannot be Sākṣātkāra and also the release. So the view of the Advaitins that

knowledge by its very nature removes nescience and no God's grace is required for liberation, is unsound. The God's grace is the only ultimate resort to attain the liberation.

To have the Darśana of the Lord through His grace, sacred hearing, repetition and meditation are the three aids, with the help of which, mind gains the power to have the vision of the Lord. Śravaṇa is the study of scriptures in prescribed manner. The study is the understanding of the scriptures as determined by Śāstras. Manana is an inquiry of this purport through appropriate reasons. Dhyāna is the meditation on the auspicious attributes of Lord. These three aids are to be put into practice until each leads to the next. Mind is the main and prime aid in realization. the mind when obstructed with the obstacle ignorance cannot realize the God. The above mentioned three aids become prime-sources or means for removing the obstacle of mind.¹¹⁰³

The one, who undergoes the course of practice of these three aids accordingly, becomes a qualified one. God, pleased with the meditation of this devotee, will bestow His grace upon him, remove the obstacle of ignorance and grant His direct vision. He will also grant His Darśana. In the Śrutigītā of the Bhāgavata, God is praised as sole

competent to remove the ignorance.¹¹⁰⁴ This obstacle, ignorance, has two aspects. One is Jīvacchādikā that conceals the nature of the soul and the other Paramācchādikā that makes the nature of the Lord unknown. God will destroy the first and withdraw the second one. He withdraws the second one, now and then until the final liberation.¹¹⁰⁵ That is why God is sometimes seen and sometimes not seen by such seekers. This will continue until the final liberation and this state is called Jīvanmukti state. If it is argued that one can attain the liberation by the very nature and origin of knowledge also then, there must not be any delay in attaining the liberation. By the time ignorance with its effects such as Kāma, Karma is removed by knowledge, immediately one should attain the liberation. But this does not take place. Therefore, God's grace is inevitable. Lord is the sole giver of release. At the time of attaining the release, Lord will remove both the obstacles and disclose His blissful form and make it visible to the liberated then forever according to their inherent ability. Thus, liberation is strictly under the control of and subject to the grace of the Lord.¹¹⁰⁶

Another view of the Advaitins, related to this, is that sacred hearing is also the direct means to attain the direct cognition and hence sacred hearing may also be

sufficient to have direct cognition like repetition and meditation.^{1106A} But this is not correct. Because, hearing is not permanent. And moreover, if it is said that direct vision is possible just after hearing then, hearing alone to be considered as Sādhana and not the others. But in the Śruti, all the three aids Śravaṇa, Manana and Nidhi-dhyāsana are prescribed as Sādhanas one after another.^{1106B} Meditation is prescribed after repetition. Hence, for direct cognition, meditation is the direct Sādhana and not the hearing. With the help of these three aids, mind gains the direct cognition and then attains the vision of the Lord. Hearing helps to have the indirect cognition and never assists to gain the direct cognition. The statements as 'Pot is in the house' and others cannot be cited as examples in respect of the direct vision. Because, at the listening of the word Brahman, the direct vision of the Lord will not take place. So hearing, though first aid, is not the direct means for direct vision. Meditation is the prime whereas hearing and repetition are auxiliary to that.

The Śabdapramāṇa or verbal testimony does not lead to direct cognition. The Advaitins hold that testimony leads to direct cognition. The stock example quoted in this regard is Daśamah tvam asi - 'You are the tenth person.' When some one counts nine persons around him and fails to perceive

himself as tenth; then another person points out and says 'You are the tenth person.' Thus through this statement, he gets the direct cognition - direct knowledge of himself. This is an example wherein testimony leads to direct cognition. On the same ground, the Advaitins argue that the statement or expression 'Tat tvam asi' leads to direct cognition. But this theory is not correct. In the instance given by them, the testimony or the statement does not give the direct knowledge as 'I am the tenth person.' But it only removes the distraction of the mind. Then he realizes that he is the tenth person. This is Mānasajñāna. The testimony only helped him to draw his attention towards himself. And this is not the direct cognition; whereas Mānasajñāna as 'I am the tenth person' is the direct cognition. Thus, testimony conveys only possible sense always and nothing else. So, the undistracted mind, engaged in the meditation of the Lord, will realize Brahman as in the case of the Mānasajñāna, 'I am the tenth person.'¹¹⁰⁷ And moreover, a Yogin, who is engaged in deep meditation and whose external organs are actionless, has no use of testimony through which he can have the direct vision. But it is the meditation that helps his mind to have direct cognition and then direct vision. So testimony is of no use in Brahma-darśana. 'Mānasajñāna gets originated without the articulation of any śabda. Therefore the view that testimony leads

to direct cognition is untenable. Mere listening of the word 'pot' does not make the pot visible. Thus, the mind of a Yogin, when deeply immersed in the meditation, will produce the direct cognition and help him to have the vision of Brahman. In the Śruti, hearing is stated first then repetition and lastly meditation. Meditation is the direct and prime aid that leads to direct cognition and direct vision.¹¹⁰⁸ Further, the view of the Advaita has no practical application and utility. Because, he, who listens to the word 'food', cannot have the satisfying experience. This experience can be seen in him, who is actually taking the food. Thus, it is evident that mere hearing will not cause Brahma-darśana.¹¹⁰⁹ Since the Advaitins subscribe to the view of Anvitābhīdhāna, no statement can lead to Nirvikalpakañāna. Therefore, testimony cannot lead to direct cognition directly. It is the meditation that leads to direct vision directly by the grace of the God. This has the support of Bhāgavata and Bhagavad-gītā.

Meditation is the main aid and by this meditation the dirt of the mind will be wiped away. The purified mind will become the cause of Brahma-darśana. Thus meditation is the direct means ~~and~~ whereas hearing is an indirect one.¹¹¹⁰

In this way, Śravaṇa, Manana and Nidhidhyāsana are the three aids of mind for Brahma-darśana. Meditation is the main. Brahma-darśana is possible only when there is no obstacle. In case of obstacle, repeated hearing, repetition etc., are required through which the obstacle could be removed. More than this, it is the grace of God that is ultimately the ground for direct vision.¹¹¹¹ It is made clear in the Śruti passage Yamevaiśa vṛṇute tena labhyah.^{1111A} The passage also promises that object of realization is Sākāra. The view of the realization of Nirākāra of the Advaitins is baseless and unsound. The God is Sākāra having Cidānandaśarīra (form of knowledge and bliss). This form of God is realized in the liberation by all the liberated souls. The liberated souls are also having the form of knowledge and bliss.

DVEṢA, KĀMA, BHAYA AND OTHERS ARE NOT MEANS OF LIBERATION

So far it is said that direct cognition, originated from hearing and others leads to liberation. Bhakti is the prime-aid to secure the grace of the Lord. This devotion leads to release through the God's grace. Thus, knowledge, devotion and others are the steps for liberation. Haribhakti and others are not demerits (Doṣas) but they are the very requisites and praise worthy steps for liberation. This devotion in the Lord originates from instant hearing and the like.¹¹¹²

But, however, in the Bhāgavata, the verse running Gopyaḥ kāmāt bhayāt kaṁso dveṣāt caidyādayo nṛpāḥ^{1112A} appears as if stating the Kāma, Bhaya, Dveṣa and others are the means of liberation. But it is not the real import of the verse. Really speaking, it was not the Kāma and the like, mentioned above that led to liberation but it is the Bhakti that enabled them to gain the grace of the Lord and to attain the liberation. E.g. Śiśupāla, who was Dvārapālaka in Vaikuṇṭha and who was of pure nature, was made to come down to the earth due to curse. It was the curse that made him to entertain Dveṣa with the Lord. When the effect of curse was removed, he with pure devotion, secured the grace of the Lord and attained the release. In the Brahmasūtra, Vedavyāsa has determined that Bhakti graced with Jñāna, is the sole means of liberation. The Śruti-Nānyaḥ panthāḥ vidyate ayanāya^{1112B} also states the same.

So Śravaṇa, Manana, Dhyāna, Sākṣātkāra, Bhakti and Prasāda are the steps for liberation.¹¹¹³

Referring to the import of the Śruti passage, Yadā paśyaḥ paśyate..., Vādirāja promises that this passage declares the realization of Sākāra and Saguṇa Brahman. So it is evident that realization of Sākāra and Saguṇa Brahman

is the only means for attaining liberation and not the knowledge of identity of attributeless and formless Brahman. The term Sāmyam in the Śruti does not mean equality but it means proximity. So it is evident that true devotion is the means of liberation.

PROCESS OF LIBERATION

In the last and fourth Adhyāya (chapter) of the Brahmasūtra (Phalādhyaṃya), Utkrānti, Mārga, Gāmya and Bhoga are described. The qualified aspirant, seeker at the gain of direct knowledge (direct vision of God) in a particular life, goes out of his material body through Brahmanādi. Then he goes to the world of Brahmā through the path of Arcis etc. There he lives until the Brahmā completes his hundred years. This, a period of hundred years of Brahmā, is called Para. The qualified souls after at the gain of direct knowledge come to this place. And living in this place is called the state of Jīvanmukti, for they have not yet attained the final liberation. On the completion of hundredth year of Brahmā, all the souls qualified for liberation and staying in Brahmaloka, will move out with Brahmā. This is called Mahāpralaya or final annihilation. All these souls will attain the liberation along with that Brahmā.¹¹¹⁴

The Brahmā conducts all the qualified souls with him to the river Virajā. This river is Aprākṛta, non-material (that means it does ^{not} contain the material element - water). It is free from Sattva, Rajas and Tamas and is only Cid-rūpa. And it is also Lakṣmīātmaka. All the souls led by Brahmā are made to take both thereby which they get their Liṅgaśarīras or subtle bodies destroyed. Then they join the souls already liberated and staying in the three abodes of Lord Viṣṇu, Śvetadvīpa, Anantāśana and Vaikunṭha. Then, they together with already liberated ones, move into the belly of Lord Vāsudeva. This state is called Parāntakāla, Paramamokṣa, Brahmalaya and also Mahāpralaya. And at the end of the Kalpas or ages the fire of annihilation, emanated from the mouth of Saṅkarṣaṇa burns down the entire creation. Then the Samvartaka clouds, showering heavy rains wash away every thing. The water will be made dried by Tejas which will be in turn extinguished by Vāyu. Vāyu merges into Ākāśa (ether) and that merges into Ahaṅkāra. And Ahaṅkāra merges into Mahat and that in Prakṛti. And so far as Prakṛti is concerned it does not merge into anything else. It being the primal cause and matter, is eternal like God. In this state it remains in minute form. ¹¹¹⁵

REFUTATION OF THE 'SARVANĀŚA' VIEW OF THE ADVAITINS

The process of Pralaya or annihilation as stated above clearly indicates that nothing is completely destroyed. The Advaitins hold that this world is the product of Ajñāna or nescience. And it will be destroyed by the knowledge. Thus, they consider the right knowledge as the cause of destruction. But this view is baseless. Nothing is totally destroyed by the right knowledge. The unreality of this world will not take place by knowledge. Even in annihilation, only created things (effects) will be destroyed and not the original or primal cause.

And moreover, a wise will not get the things destroyed by his knowledge. So the view of complete destruction is nowhere found. When things perish, they leave behind their causes. When these causes perish, they again leave their subtle causes.¹¹¹⁶ This process continues and ultimately leads to the survival of Prakṛti or primal matter (primal material cause). There is no such thing that undergoes complete destruction.¹¹¹⁷ And, one cannot say that there is destruction of all destruction, because destruction itself is indestructible. So by all means, total annihilation is impossible. The very expression as Sarvanāśa is wrong. Because, even according to the Advaita, Brahman is real and Avināśi - indestructible.

If it is admitted that, other than Brahman, everything gets destroyed, then, Jīva, different from Brahman, will also have to be destroyed. If difference between Brahman and the soul is taken to be unreal, then the Advaita cannot refer to world as separate from Brahman and liable for destruction. And if the destruction of real things is admitted then, the destruction of Jīva, his characteristics and also of other eternal things, may also take place. Thus, the acceptance of the destruction of real things, definitely and ultimately leads to the destruction of Brahman, as It being real. Therefore, complete destruction is impossible.¹¹¹⁸ That which is eternal, real, subtle and is under Lord's control, is undestructible.

Thus, after having refuted the view of total destruction of the Advaita, Vādirāja diverts his attention to the Sarvanāśa view of Tārkikas. According to them, everything originated with Adṛṣṭa or unseen cause or power, perishes completely and also there is no re-creation. Thus, this is a very strange view. Because, at the end of each age, the created world perishes and again it is going to be created at the beginning of next age. This is happening since time immemorial. Here, only effect (Kārya-world) is going to be perished and not its prime cause which is Adṛṣṭa. If it is held that Adṛṣṭa too perishes, then there

would not be any re-creation. So Adṛṣṭa which is prime cause will not perish whereas it becomes the cause of re-creation. So the Sarvanāśa view of the Advaita and of the Tārkika is baseless and untenable. The Śruti declares that, God creates the world as in past. This disproves the very fact of Sarvanāśa or total destruction.

LIBERATION IS THE ATTAINMENT OF THE ABODE OF LORD VIṢṆU

In this context, the Advaita view of liberation is refuted. The Advaita holds that liberation is the gain or attainment of identity (Ātmaikya). But Vādirāja says that identity cannot be the liberation. According to him, it is the attainment of highest place. If the view of identity is admitted, then the very concept liberation of attaining highest place, would be futile. The highest place is the abode of Lord Viṣṇu. It is also called Vaikunṭha. The liberated souls, attaining this highest abode of Lord Viṣṇu, enjoy their inherent bliss. There, they will have the vision of God always. That place is away from the Tamas, it is ever illuminous. It is the place, after attaining which, one will not come back to transmigration. It is the state of final release.¹¹¹⁹

This state of liberation is not the state of Jīvanmukti. But it is other and superior to that. In the Bhāgavata,

Lord Kṛṣṇa says that the worlds, upto Brahmaloka, (Satyaloka) are subject to rebirth whereas his abode Vaikunṭha, attainment of which will not cause any rebirth. So the liberation is the attainment of close proximity with the Lord, it is the attainment of the lotus-feet of Him, or it may also be explained as dwelling in the abode of the Lord.¹¹²⁰ Śveta-dvīpa, Anantāsana and Vaikunṭha are the three abodes of the Lord, and attainment of these is the liberation.

Then, the question may be raised as to whether, like the created world, the abode of the Lord is subject to the process of creation and destruction. Vādirāja says that in the description of the creation and destruction, Lord's abode is not included. This shows that, Lord's abode is not subjected to creation and destruction,¹¹²¹ whereas all other worlds such as Satyaloka and others are subjected to the process of creation and destruction.

The god Mukhyavāyu conducts the qualified souls, who have fulfilled the prescribed course Sādhana, to the Lord and recommends for the attainment of the release. The Chāndogyaopaniṣad also states that, the qualified souls, after attaining the release, will not come back. It is the abode of the Lord which is totally free from the defects of Samsāra (transmigration). Hence, the attainment of

release is not possible, with unworthy means. It is similar to the Lord so far as defectless nature is concerned. Like the Lord, it is also free from birth, death and the like. It is Cetanātmaka (sentient) and pervasive. The Lord is the sovereign king of this.

If the release the attainment of another and highest world is not admitted, then the prescription of the course (Sādhana) and the path of Arcis etc., would be useless. In fact, Arcis etc., is the path of attainment of release and release is the gain of the abode of the Lord.

The above explained opinion disregards the views that instant ascending is the release and attainment of the Brahmatva is the release. Because, as Brahman is all-pervasive, there cannot be either the movement of ascending or the process of attainment of Brahmatva. Because, Brahman is supreme and distinct. So there cannot be the gain of Brahmatva.

Here, it is acclaimed that, knowledge (devotion-Bhakti) is the prime means of attaining this final release. Bhakti involves the relation of servant and served between devotee and the Lord. And this proves the difference between the Lord and the soul even in release. As there

lies difference in release, there is also gradation in release among liberated souls.¹¹²²

The Bhagavadgītā describes the state (place) of release as that, where the sun shines not the moon does not illuminate, and even the fire burns not it. After attaining once, the liberated will not return to transmigration. And that is the highest abode of the Lord.¹¹²³ And this release is not merely the destruction or removal of displeasure as Tārkikas contend, but it is the state of experiencing the bliss and blissful knowledge.

In Parāntakāla, that is at the end of the age, Brahmā, taking the three typed Jīvas, enters into the belly of the Lord. Then along with Sātvikas he takes both in the Virajā river. This river is of the nature of goddess Lakṣmī. This river discriminates as to who is liberated and who is not. It is free from material elements and effects. It is Aprākṛta (spiritual). It is the destroyer of transmigration. All those souls, after bath, get their Liṅgaśarīra (subtle body) shattered and then enshrine with their blissful nature. Then Brahmā, getting deeply immersed in the experience of bliss of Dhyāna (contemplation) for hundred years, gets the nature manifested, along with his retinue like past liberated Brahmas and experiences the bliss in

swelling. The removal of subtle body and also manifestation of the blissful nature is called Sārūpya release. And others, Sālokya, Sāmīpya and Sāyujya take place according to the eligibility of the liberated souls. In the release, the forms that the liberated souls assume, are not of Prakṛti (matter). So there is no question of rebirth.

The Sādhanaś or the means for attaining such release are prescribed in Śāstras and they are the knowledge of difference between the Lord and the soul, performance of deeds without aiming at fruit or result and absence of feeling of Svātantrya (independence) in the souls. Among these, the knowledge of difference and devotion are primary and Niṣkāmakarmanuṣṭhāna or performance of the deeds without the feeling of attachment, is the secondary. All the liberated souls, including Brahmā, have no rebirth.

The qualified souls, though relieved of Prārabdha karma cannot attain release independently at their own will. Only with Brahmā, they can attain it. And in some cases they are supposed to undergo and experience the effects of Prārabdhakarma knowingly or unknowingly. And after the bath in Virajā, there will not be any Prārabdhakarma. The eligible souls attain the final release during Parāntakāla or at the end of final annihilation.¹¹²⁴

ABSENCE OF AIKYA AND SARVAMOKṢA; SĀKĀRATVA AND TĀRATAMYA
TO MUKTAS

As there are three types of souls, all of them will not attain the liberation. As already stated, only Sātvikas attain the liberation. In this context, Vādirāja literally deals with two Śruti passages, Śṛṇvevīra ugramugram...^{1124A} and Parā pūrveṣām...^{1124B} The import of these passages is that the Lord sends the Asuras to the darkness (tamas) and Sātvikas such as gods and others to Vaikunṭha release abode of bliss. He makes the Sātvikas to enjoy the pleasures thereof. So far as Rājasas or middle one are concerned, till they are relieved of the Līṅgadeha or subtle body, they go to heaven and hell and will have the mixed experience. When that subtle body of them is destroyed, they are given the state of mixed experience of pleasures and displeasures. Thus, without change and without fail, different souls will have different states and different goals to be attained. And the Lord, being supreme surpasses all these. Moreover, He is described as eternally liberated (Nityamukta). So there cannot be any identity between the Lord and souls. Further, as different souls attain different states, there cannot be release of bliss to all.¹¹²⁵ Even the qualified do not attain the release themselves. They seek the grace of the Lord. So how can there be identity between the Lord and the souls? The Śruti,

Yedha mānadvit...^{1125A} states that the Lord never likes and tolerates the identity and equality. When such is the case, the question of attaining the Brahmatva (identity) is gone afar.¹¹²⁶ In the Bhāgavata, it is made clear that the engagement in Pravṛttikarma in case of Asuras, will not enable them to attain upliftment. Thus, both the Śruti and the Smṛti declare that Asuras will never attain the release (Sarvamokṣa) is impossible one. In the Bhagavadgītā also Lord Kṛṣṇa makes it clear that, those, who hate Him, who do not tolerate His supremacy, who try and hanker for identity, will roam in unworthy births and at the end, without attaining the Lord, will fall in the deep darkness. In the case of Jaya, Vijaya and others, who hated the Lord due to the curse, this cannot be applied. Their hatred is temporary. As long as there had been the effect of curse, they opposed Lord and did mischiefs. By the time, the curse was dispelled, they assumed their original Sātvika form and were blessed with release by the Lord through His grace.

The liberated souls are infinite in number. Among them there are some, who attained the release early and others later. Some are released together and hence are called Jñātis and others Ajñātis. All the released are affectionate and intimate each other. They are like close

friends. In respect of knowledge and the like, they are not even or equal. There is gradation. The gradation hinted here is always with difference. They are not distinct from their pure and blissful nature. All the organs are of the nature of knowledge and bliss. All are graced with beautiful and charming forms. So in release, the question of formlessness, (Nirākārātā) does not arise. The Śruti passage, Te ha nākam mahimānah...^{1126A} makes it clear that they flourish and enshrine with their own greatness. All of them dwell in and enjoy the pleasures of various kinds. They do not have any displeasure. Approaching the Lord, they get manifested their blissful nature and enjoy in different places.

There is gradation even in the enjoyment of the released. It is because of the difference in their inherent eternal ability and also in respect of spiritual efforts of each released soul. Therefore, the Śruti, enunciates the Ānandatāratamya or gradation in the enjoyment of bliss of the liberated.¹¹²⁷ If this gradation is not admitted, then the doubts related to the difference with regard to the efforts and the like, cannot be cleared off. And it is not logically sound to view that same result will take place with different efforts. Ānanda-mīmāṃsā in the Taittirīya Śruti deals with the Svarūpānanda (natural bliss)

with gradation. Therefore, the gradation, declared in the Śruti, with regard to bliss, is related to release. Thus, even in the release, there is gradation and it cannot be ruled out. The passage Yato vāco nivartante...^{1127A} acclaims the infinite bliss of the Lord which is the very nature of Him. In the same context, passages that deal with the enjoyment of bliss of different liberated souls, are also seen. So, it is clear that, entire context of that Śruti refers to Svarūpānanda or natural bliss and not any other type.¹¹²⁸

As the Śruti (knowledge of Śruti) ensures the feeling of detachment towards mundane pleasures and initiates the souls for upliftment, it is clear that the Śruti does not talk of anything about mundane pleasures and other things in this context. In the state of Samsāra, the natural bliss is unknown and not experienced. Therefore, the explanation of natural bliss with gradation, seen in the Śruti, is related with liberation and not with transmigration. Mānuṣānanda, described in the Śruti, is not of the embodied souls, since they have pleasure for some time and displeasure for some time. They do not enjoy instant bliss. If blissful nature is denied in the case of liberated souls, then that would be the release of Tārkikas, since according to them release is the state of absence of displeasure.

It does not entertain any pleasure. Therefore, gradation in the enjoyment of bliss, is to be accepted. And this gradation never entertains the possibility of Aikya but it proves difference evidently.¹¹²⁹

Since, in transmigration, pleasure is not permanent and is mixed with displeasure, gradation cannot be determined ultimately. The degree in the enjoyment of pleasure, in Samsāra, varies from time to time, place to place and from situation to situation. Whereas this variation does not occurs in the release. In the release, gradation is an ever established entity. Gradation in bliss, exists on account of the graded and different means of enjoyment. Without taking into account the difference in the means of enjoyment, reference of gradation would be meaningless and baseless.¹¹³⁰ And this gradation asserts the mutual difference among souls and difference with the Lord even in the release.¹¹³¹ Thus, gradation is proved through Yukti, Śruti and Smṛti. Yukti (reason) is as there is graded difference in the means, the same must be there in results.

There are some statements such as Mama sādharma-
māgatāḥ...^{1131A} and others, that apparently give the sense of equality. But it is to be understood in the sense as free from or absence of displeasure and other mundane defects.

So equality is impossible and gradation is inevitable. Even the Lord cannot undo it or change it.

INTERPRETATION OF THE ŚRUTI PASSAGES YATRA TVASYA... AND OTHERS AND THE REFUTATION OF ADVITĪYATVAPRĀPTI

The idea of the Advaitins that liberation is attaining the state of being alone (loneliness) is impracticable and untenable. When man is alone, he is not happy. A preceptor, a pupil, a beast, or a crow always long for the company of others, to be happy. The loneliness does not ensure any happiness. Even in the practical life, every one tries to get something other better as he is not at all happy with single possession. When an article is lost, he hankers for another. If living house is burnt away, demands for a new one. So when all this is taken into account, it proves beyond doubt that to be alone or loneliness is nowhere found and preferred to. Thus the liberation is the form of Advitīyatvaprap̄pti or loneliness as the Advaitins contend, is impossible. It is described that the liberated delight with their companions. If they were to be alone then, living in the company of others and also blissful enjoyments, are all impossible. If Ātman is admitted as only one, then there is no possibility of any functions and dealings. Moreover, this Ātmaikyā view will be against the Śruti passages such as Tatkena kam paśyet... 1131A

If the Advitīyatva view is accepted then the liberation cannot be claimed as Puruṣārtha or prime goal to be attained. Therefore, as there is the presence of different souls and manifold objects (duality) in Samsāra in the same way, even in the release, duality is to be accepted inevitably. So there are infinite liberated souls having blissful forms and also there are infinite means of enjoyments.

The passages Yatradvaitamiva bhavati..., Sarvamātmavābhūt...^{1131B} and others never state any identity but declare the difference. The liberated do have the blissful forms with blissful organs. If this is not accepted then the very fact of their enjoyment is impossible.

The passage, Na pretya sanjñā asti^{1131C} does not negate the Svarūpañāna or innate knowledge in case of liberated. It only denies Prākṛtajñāna or material knowledge. This ascertains that, the liberation is not Prakṛti or matter, but it is Aprākṛta or spiritual. Hence Prākṛtajñāna or material knowledge cannot be there in the release.

The passage, Yatratvasya sarvamātmaivābhūt^{1131D} is interpreted as, in transmigration, the soul, with its mind associated with so many things, concentrates on and deals with them. But in the state of release, this will not happen.

The liberated concentrates as only one, That is the Lord. There is no second, in the sense that the Lord is the main object of his concentration. It does not negate the presence of other things. This passage also does not support the attainment of loneliness of the Advaita. Or it may also be meant that the passage describes the state of a Yogin. The Yogin, sitting in a serene and secret place, meditates as God. At that time, except God, nothing is the object of his meditation. In the Samsāra, organs of the body are different, whereas in the release, all the organs are the part and parcel of the very nature of liberated. In the release, all the organs are concentrated on God. Why only in the release, such type of deep concentration is seen even in this world on some occasions. A person, engaged in the dice game and a dancer in dancing have no attention towards something other than that. When this is the position of a person in the Samsāra, the released, getting deeply engaged in concentration, will never see and know something other than the God.

In the Samsāra, there are two entities, one is soul (sentient) and another is matter (insentient), And this soul lives always associated with matter. So the body has the character of Dvittva (possession of both the sentiency and insentiency). In the release, as there is no any

matter (insentient), there lies only spiritual or Aprākṛta body. The whole form is of the very nature of the Cetana. All sorts of enjoyments take place with the help of Svarūpendriyas or blissful organs. Thus, it is to be noted that the passage states the manifestation of the very nature of the liberated.¹¹³²

The passages, Paramam sāmānyamupaiti..., Saha Brahmapā vipāścita..., Paramjyotirupasaṅkramya..., Etamanna mayamātmanamupasaṅkrāmati...^{1132A} and others describe the release as a fruit or result of knowledge. These passages do not refer to any identity. They also not deal with any sheath (Kośa) but mainly aim at Paramātmān, since they appear in the part (Prakarana) that explains the state of release.¹¹³³

The passage Yatra dvaitamiva bhavati... refers to either Aparokṣajnāni or released. It describes the two states such as Jāgrt and Suṣupti. Vādirāja opines that whatever may be the reference but it does not talk of any Advitīyatva. The passage, Yatra tvasya sarvamātmāivābhūt describes the state of deep sleep or Suṣupti. In Jāgrt or awakening state, Bhedavyavahāra is experienced distinctly. But in the state of deep sleep, on account of deep sleep or concentration, the soul is almost inactive and the God alone is active. Therefore, that wise Yogin or released

is unaware of the external affairs of the world. The present passage as well as the passage, Pareavyaaye sarva ekibhāvanti...^{1133A} promise and state that all the organs of the released deeply concentrate on Lord. In this way no Śruti talks of any identity between Brahman and the soul.¹¹³⁴ As Śruti appears in and deals with the context of release, it aims at explaining the effect or result of release. In the state of liberation there is no darkness in the form of Ajñāna. There are no merit (Punya) and sin (Pāpa). There is enjoyment of all pleasures and also manifestation of blissful nature. Vādirāja says that this is not possible in the state of Jīvanmukti. Because, a Jīvanmukta may have no effects of Punya and Pāpa, but as he is still living in this world with the same body, he has no privilege to enjoy to the desired objects unlike a released one. Otherwise the gods (Jīvanmuktas) would not have churned the milky-ocean for nectar. The above passage refers to final release of four kinds and states that the attainment of this will not cause any rebirth (Samsāra).

The passage, Sarvān kāmān samaśnute...^{1134A} is interpreted by the Advaitins as, Mukta attaining the identity with Brahman enjoys all the pleasures. So there is no individual pleasure for finally liberated. It is there only during Jīvanmukta state. But this is wrong. Because, the particle 'Saha' in the passage gives the sense of

sameness of time and not the identity. In Saṁsāra as objects of enjoyment vary from being to being, in the state of release also, they differ from one released soul to another. So individual enjoyment of pleasures too prevails in the release. So the interpretation of the passage is as, finally released souls enjoy pleasures with Brahmā (four-faced) in the abode of the Lord.

Difference between the soul and supreme soul (Brahman) is pertinent even in the release. Thus all passages aim at and declare the difference and not the identity or Advitīyatva.¹¹³⁵

As king is different and does not intend to consider or treat the arrested as equal to him, the God too, who is the Lord of liberated as well as unliberated, does not wish the souls to be equated with him. Although, finally liberated are graced with similar form (Sārūpya), they are not given the Śrīvatsa and other ornaments that are Lakṣmīyātmaka. So, even the released souls remain as servants of the Lord. The Lord, although graceful and affectionate towards His devotees, does not offer self-identity like a king, though pleased with, will not give his wife to anybody.¹¹³⁶ Therefore, it is evident that the release is not the attainment of Advitīyatva. The passages do not

refer to Ātmaikya or Advitīyatva but aim at difference in all respects.

VAIKUNṬHA IS LAKSMYĀTMAKA

Vaikunṭha or the abode of the Lord is free from material elements. (Prākṛta elements). It is spiritual. The Bhāgavata verse, Na yatra māyā kimutāpare...^{1136A} states that in the abode of the Lord, there is no Māyā and its effects. In fact, it is goddess Lakṣmī who constitutes Lord's abode. Therefore, it is called Lakṣmyātmaka. Goddess Lakṣmī is eternally liberated. Even in final annihilation, she will not get perished. The God, who is eternally liberated, is the Lord of that abode. It does not mean that, only the abode Vaikunṭha is spiritual, but, all the three (Vaikunṭha, Anantāsana and Śvetadvīpa) are spiritual and are of the forms of Lakṣmī. The Śrībhāg (portion) in all the three abodes of the Lord, is imperishable, even during the annihilation. Whereas, other two parts, namely, Bhūbhāga and Durgābhāga are subject to destruction during annihilation.¹¹³⁷ The abodes of the Lord are crowded with released souls. Not only the abodes are spiritual but, the things available there are also spiritual. Vādirāja mentions that the abodes of Brahmā, Rudra and of other gods are the products of material elements. (No doubt, the abodes of Brahmā and others, unlike the human, consist of

more Sattva element of the matter (Prakṛti). Even then they are not of the nature of sentiency and are also not the abodes of released). But the abodes of the Lord, since being spiritual, are superior to them. Vādirāja says that not only the abode but also the Lord. That means, the Lord is superior to all other gods. Not only the Lord, but also His wife, goddess Lakṣmī is superior to those gods. In the abodes of the Lord, only those, who are finally released, live and they are always ardent and devoted to the Lord. Although released are experiencing blissful enjoyments, they are lords of nothing. Although graced with four arms and the like, they are not capable to enjoy the doership or creatorship of anything. They are similar to the God only in respect of explicit form but not in any other respects.¹¹³⁸

The released souls are not born during the next world creation and are not perished at the time of world destruction (Pralaya). They do not have any birth, death and the like. They have the form of knowledge and bliss. Since having blissful form, they enjoy only bliss. On this basis, the souls are broadly classified as released and unreleased. And among unreleased, there are three types, Sāttvika, Rājasa and Tāmasa. And it is held that only Sāttvikas are entitled to attain the release.¹¹³⁹

THE LORD'S ABODE IS NOT EMPTY

As already mentioned, the Lord's abode is not empty, since being crowded with released souls. Vādirāja wants to state that it is not only the released souls that dwell there but the means of their enjoyments are also present there. Even they are also spiritual. Vādirāja argues that when the things, product of matter and present in the heaven and other worlds, are being worshipped and coveted by one all, then what to state about the means of blissful enjoyments of the released in Lord's abode. Further, it is not that only the human beings are liberated and enjoy in release. Even birds, animals and other are also found in the release with innate, original and blissful form.

The Lord's abode, being spiritual, is superior to other abodes of gods. There is no mixed experience of pain and pleasure here. The released souls are not either identical or equal to each other or with the eternally released God. They are different with gradation. This gradation is an account of the difference in the enjoyment of bliss and this absolutely depends on there innate and eternal nature.¹¹⁴⁰

INTERPRETATION OF THE ŚRUTI, RŪPAM RŪPAM PRATIRŪPO BHABHŪVA^{1140A}

This Śruti passage proves the possibility of the difference in the nature of the souls. The nature of the souls is not uniform and of same kind. The passage refers to released souls, stating that each and every liberated soul is the Pratibimba or reflection of one or another form of God who is reflective. It does not mean that the embodied soul is not the reflection of God. Vādirāja assures that the relation of reflective and reflection is truly realized at the time of release and not in the state of Samsāra. The Lord is glorified as Pururūpa, that means He is endowed with infinite forms. All the liberated souls are reflections to Him.

In this passage, the Lord is praised as Indra, that means He is endowed with eternal supreme unlimited treasure or wealth. This term does not refer to Indra, who heads the heaven, since his treasure is not eternal and it is limited. All the forms of the Lord get manifested through his special power. They are not the products of any Karma. The term Māyā in the passage is taken to mean an unthinkable, unlimited eternal supreme power of the Lord. But it never gives the sense of Advaita concept of Māyā. The Lord takes a number of forms through this special power of His own. As the forms of the Lord and

also the souls are infinite each and every soul becomes the reflection of one or another Bimba form of God. The realization of respective Bimba-form of the Lord is the prime means of final release. Vādirāja stresses the point that though the forms of the Lord are infinite, they are identical, whereas the souls, although reflections, are neither identical each other nor with God. They are distinct. Thus, the passage proves the variety and difference in the nature of the souls and also the relation of reflective and reflected.¹¹⁴¹

The qualified souls attain the release only when they realize the respective Bimba form of the Lord.¹¹⁴² The passage Tadasya rūpasya praticakṣaṇāya...^{1142A} refers to both soul and Supreme soul (Lord). One is seer and another is seen (seeable). Thus, the ultimate reality of these forms is evident. The term Māyā in the above passage aims at and refers to the greatness of the Lord. Hence, it cannot be understood as the Māyā of the Advaita concept, which is ultimately unreal.

The passage also promises that there is no Māyā (illusion) in the release. There, everything is spiritual. The objects of enjoyments, though utilized, will not come to an end. They are eternal and real. All this is possible

by the Lord through His special power. This power of the Lord makes everything possible that normally looks difficult and impossible. When this is the case, there cannot be the talk of either identity or of attributelessness of the Lord. Though, the Lord is Omniscient, Omnipotent, He will not mind Himself to make possible what is impossible. Because, whatever is absolutely impossible is nothing but invalid. He will never utilize His special power for such invalid destructive and unworthy purpose. Because, the Lord is not intended to achieve self-destruction for, the very idea of identity destroys supremacy and the view of attributelessness disproves the very special power. So, the idea of mutual identity, identity with the Lord, attainment of the Advitīyatva, declaration of the view of formlessness and attributelessness etc., are all baseless and invalid. Therefore, there is neither Māyā (illusion) nor its effects in the abode of the Lord (release).¹¹⁴³

Thus, the release is not the state of either identity or of emptiness. It is the state of experiencing one's own bliss by the grace of the Lord. It is spiritual, extra-ordinary and crowded with infinite number of liberated souls. And there lies absolute difference in between souls and the Lord. This difference is called Viśeṣa which is possible by the very nature of all.¹¹⁴⁴ And this Viśeṣa

nature helps to realize the difference in between souls and the Lord.

In the Advaita, as release is devoid of all distinctions, the very fact of enjoyment is not possible. According to the Advaita, there remains nothing for enjoyment and the like. So release accordingly would be nothing but a Śūnyamokṣa.

So the liberation which is real and difference-based is the only release attaining which one will not have the experience of any displeasure and will not come back to transmigration.

The Viśeṣa, referred to above, is the peculiar and individual nature of each entity that establishes the difference mutually. Viśeṣa is there in the Lord, it is also there in the Svarūpadeha of the liberated souls. The Viśeṣas, present in the souls, are controlled by the Viśeṣa of the Lord.¹¹⁴⁵

The very fact proves the difference between the Lord and other liberated souls. The Lord is eternally liberated and others attain the release, only when they fulfil the prescribed course of Sādhana and gain the grace of the Lord.

The Lord is the ultimate resort and support to all, including released, and hence, He is acclaimed as Superior to and Supreme.¹¹⁴⁶

INTERPRETATION OF THE ŚRUTI PASSAGE DVITĪYĀD VAI BHAYAM
BHAVATI^{1146A}

The above passage does not deny the existence of other entities. And it also does not convey the identity. Advaitins contend that this passage negates the existence of the entity other than Brahman. But this is not correct. As this passage comes in the context of Ekāki na ramate,^{1146B} it cannot deny the presence of other things.

Vādirāja understands and interprets the passage in different ways without spoiling the significance and beauty of the context. Here the term Dvitiya, according to Vādirāja, gives a good number of meanings. One may be afraid of second Āśrama (stage of life) as being householder since it leads to mixed experience by making him to get involved in Samsāra. One may be afraid of the second among the two Punya or merit and Pāpa or sin. Men are supposed to be afraid of the second among the company of the good and the bad. They may also be afraid of second world that is secular world. Here first is the abode of the Lord. They are afraid of the second world since it

is also the cause of rebirth. Thus, the passage states that the Lord, who is the source of spiritual delight and enlightenment, is not the cause of any fear. It is the worship of the Lord with pure devotion that enables to gain His grace and attain the liberation.¹¹⁴⁷

If this meaning is not admitted then the very import of the passage becomes contradictory and also opposes the import of other passages of the same context. And it will not help even for Advaitins in proving identity etc. Because, the world consists of both sentient and insentient things. And according to the Advaita, the insentient world is unreal. If identity is to be held and admitted then, Brahman too, since being compared with the second (world), will become Mithyā. And this type of identity stands sublated by the reason. Thus, the passage will not convey the sense of identity. So Vādirāja opines that, the sense of identity and absence of other entities, cause fear.

Therefore, the correct import of the passage is that, one has to cultivate and develop the feeling of detachment towards this world of sorrow. This world is second. He, who admires and gets immersed in this, has fear from this. So a qualified teacher, desirous of attaining the liberation, should give up the feeling of attachment. If this is

given up, then there is no fear from it. Hence, this passage has nothing to do either with identity or with the non-existence of the second entity. It precisely relates the necessary and required steps for attaining the release. ¹¹⁴⁸

THE ŚRUTI PASSAGES ARE NOT AKHANDĀRTHAPARA

The contention of the Advaita is that the passages are Akhandāarthapratipāḍaka. If this view is held, then the very concepts, identity, attributelessness and unreality are supposed to be given up. Because, Akhandā means the ultimate presence of only one entity. But, unless there is second entity, identity is impossible. And also, when the presence of second entity is totally negated, there is no charm in proposing the unreality. Thus, the aim of considering the passage as Akhandārthapara, will not yield any results such as identity and others.

Vādirāja states that, this work does not only aim at refuting the Advaita concepts or views but ensues valuable guidance to the honest so that they can have the peace, in mind, content in heart and devotion at the feet of the Lord. ¹¹⁴⁹

Therefore, all the passages such as Amṛtasyaiṣa setuḥ, Muktānām parama gatiḥ^{1149A} and others declare that the God is the Lord to all liberated. He is the sole support, guide and controller even in the release. No single Śruti passage conveys the sense of Akhanda. All the passages proclaim the greatness of the Lord in one or other way.

THE PAVAMĀNA AND PŪYAMĀNA ŚRUTIS DECLARE THE GREATNESS
OF MADHVA

The last two chapters of sixth Aṣṭaka and first five chapters of seventh Aṣṭaka of Rgveda, contain Pavamāna hymns. Vādirāja says that these hymns, when properly interpreted, give an account of the deeds of the incarnations of god Mukhyavāyu that are Hanumān, Bhīma and Madhva. The expressions, Pavamāna and Soma, found in these hymns refer to the forms of Vāyu.

The hymn, Sa pūrvyaḥ...¹¹⁵⁰ states that Pavamāna (Vāyu) is incarnated as Madhva. Pavamāna means he who purifies. Soma means he, who abides in all living beings in the form of controlling the very breathing of them during all the states (awakening, dreaming and sleeping). Soma also means he who is also an efficient cause in the process of creation and who abounds in divine richness. In the above passage, the expression as Madhva, is clearly

made. The adjectives in the passage are more significant and glorify the greatness of the forms of Vayu.¹¹⁵¹ The term Vevijāna glorifies Madhva and states that Madhva is he, who establishes the five-fold difference. Pūrvyaḥ refers to the fact of being Jīvottama. Śyenaḥ means he, whose Lord is blissful. It is also explained that at the time of final annihilation he (Vāyu) swallows or destroys the outskirts or flap of Tejas. His form is fierceful. He is furious to vicious and silent in the case of virtuous. Since, time immemorial, all the forms of god Vāyu are specially meant for correct preaching of right knowledge. Therefore, they are called Gomati. Vāyu with his Bhīma (furious) form destroys the subtle body or Lingadeha of qualified souls after their gaining direct knowledge. Next to the Lord He is also the bestower of release. The forms of Vāyu are also called Indus, since fulfilling the desires of devotees and being rich in divine wealth.

The hymn, Ajitaye apahataye...¹¹⁵² which contains the expressions of Pavamāna and Soma, refers to the incidents (Pavana movements) of Hanumān, Bhīma and Madhva. The hymn deals with the adventurous activities of the forms of Vāyu. Vādirāja gives the derivative meaning of the term Pavana as he, who is capable of purifying. He also explains each and every term of the passage and assures that Madhva is the incarnation of Vāyu.

The hymn, Prasenāni śūro agre...¹¹⁵³ particularly refers to Bhīma form of Vāyu as the real leader of Pāṇḍava family and party. It also conveys that Hanumān was the leader of Vānara family and party. As this passage describes the valourous deeds of Hanumān and Bhīma, it can also be explained with reference to Madhva.

Further, two hymns of same context, Somaḥ pavate... and Brahmā devānām...¹¹⁵⁴ have the reference of Madhva clearly and explicitly. Here Madhva is described as Janaka in various senses. The expression Viṣṇoḥ janitā signifies that it is Madhva who made the people conscious and known about the supremacy of Lord Viṣṇu. Matīnām janitā glorifies him as giver of right knowledge. Vādirāja opines that the repetition of the expression Janitā indicates that Madhva has dispelled the fear and ignorance through his outstanding contribution. He is described as Janitā prthivyoh, since he established the reality of the world.¹¹⁵⁵

The Śruti Prāvivipat...¹¹⁵⁶ clearly mentions that Madhva is the great teacher who taught real and right knowledge. Here, he is acclaimed as great preceptor (Jagadguru). It is well described and known fact that god Vāyu incarnated on earth as Madhva and unveiled the treasure in the form of the import of the Śruti passages.

Thus, like previous passage, this also describes the greatness and gives an account of manifold deeds of Madhva form of Vāyu.¹¹⁵⁷

Another Śruti of the same context, Unmadhva ūrmi...¹¹⁵⁸ relates the greatness of Madhva. He is called Mahiṣa as he is superior among all the souls. He is referred to Ūrmi as he is highly qualified and well-versed. He is glorified as Apah since he sportively swims in unlimited ocean of Śāstras. He is called Atiṣṭhat as he showed that all the Vedas and Vidyas primarily and ultimately declare the greatness of the Lord.

One more Śruti, Saptasvasr...¹¹⁵⁹ mentions that it is Madhva who has understood the real import of all the Śāstras since the knowledge or understanding of these is essentially required for the realization of the Lord, Madhva, unveiling the correct import of all the Śāstras, has rendered the devotional service at the feet of the Lord. Hence it is evident that he is Vāyu incarnated.¹¹⁶⁰

Another Śruti passage, Viṣṭambho diva...¹¹⁶¹ refers to Madhva. Viṣṭambha means supporter. He is described as the supporter in the sense of establishing the reality of the world. The term Amśuḥ conveys that Madhva too is

endowed with the same natural strength of original form of Vāyu. He is called Utsa as he has great enthusiasm in respect of Haribhakti.

The Śruti running, Simham na santa...¹¹⁶² brings out the fact that Madhva is the supreme and ardent devotee of Lord incarnated Narasimha. It is also explained that he is foremost among those fortunate, who have the privilege of having direct studentship of the Lord.¹¹⁶³

The Śruti passage, Pradhārā Madhvo...¹¹⁶⁴ deals with the academic success and prosperity of Madhva. Agriyaḥ conveys that Madhva enshines with complexion of supreme knowledge. The term Mahīrapaḥ denotes that Madhva is well-versed in all Śāstras. He is called Haviḥ as he is adorable and being worshipped by other gods. He is Haviḥ, since he is very dear to the Lord and as he is the foremost among the gods, invoked in Jñānayajña.

Another hymn, Asmabhyaminda...¹¹⁶⁵ also consists of the praise of Madhva. He is called Indrayuḥ as he is devoted and also always associated with the Lord by name Indra. Vādirāja says that the term Indra primarily and ultimately aims at the Lord for having unlimited and eternal treasure, unlike the Indra who heads the heaven. Vādirāja

also promises that the term Madhva is significant and meaningful since he (Madhva) is the bestower of bliss in the form of imparting the right knowledge to all the qualified.

Thus, in all these hymns, the glorious deeds of god Vāyu, are described with reference to his forms, Hanumān, Bhīma and Madhva.

TAPTASUDARŚANA MUDRĀDHĀRANA IS ALSO MENTIONED IN PAVAMĀNA
HYMNS

The hymn, Yena devah pavitreṇa...¹¹⁶⁶ clearly states that Taptamudrādhārana should be done with Sudarśanacakra. (the Lord's weapon, wheel as a holy mark). Vādirāja argues that here the term Pavitra stands for Sudarśana and not for Daśapavitra which is used in sacrifices. It is clear from the reference as Sahasradhārā (having thousand (more) edge points). It is well-understood that with the help of this holy mark, purity of the body and mind could be gained.

Vādirāja also makes it clear that when and from whom the above mentioned holy mark is to be received. One has to receive this holy mark from a well-known scholar and teacher.¹¹⁶⁷ He also says that on other days, the above mentioned holy mark is to be enmarked with Gopīcandana.

In one of the hymns of the Rgveda, the Taptamudrā-dhāraṇa is clearly mentioned. The hymn is, yet te pavitrām...¹¹⁶⁸ Vādirāja says that this hymn is also the praise of Madhva. If the term, Pavitra is taken to mean as Daśapavitra, then it cannot be heated. So it also ascertains that Pavitra is Sudarśana. Vādirāja also makes it clear that both the marks, Sudarśana and Śaṅkha are to be got imprinted on both the arms. He also states that Sudarśana is to be made of gold and Śaṅkha of silver.

In the Pavamāna hymns, not only god Vāyu is praised but also the Lord who is the Indweller of god Vāyu. Vādirāja promises that all the hymns or verses of Veda, primarily aim at and glorify the Lord and the same hymns can also be understood as the praise of god Vāyu. So the Lord is the primary object of glorification and god Vāyu is the next or secondary object of glorification of all the Vedic passages. And this god Vāyu, abiding in all Gurus (teachers), accomplishes the sacred deeds. The above cited passage clearly indicates that it is god Vāyu with his Madhva form, being present in sacred fire, Sudarśana and in Gurus (spiritual teachers), offers the Taptamudrā to all the devotees.¹¹⁷⁰

Similarly, the verses of Pūyamāna hymns also glorify

and Vāyu and Mudrādhāraṇa. The verse, Pavitram te vitatam..¹¹⁷¹ glorifies the Lord indwelling in god Vāyu. By the by it also relates the necessity of Taptamudrādhāraṇa. Vādirāja stresses that this Taptamudrādhāraṇa is also an essential means to secure the grace of the Lord and it is with this that the souls gain the eligibility for the performance of sacred religious duties.

Vādirāja opines that the glorification of Madhva, seen in the Pavamāna and Pūyamāna hymns, is nothing but the great and an elaborate praise of Madhva formed god Vayu.¹¹⁷²

MADHVA IS VĀYU INCARNATED.

Vādirāja, referring to some Śruti passages, declares that Madhva is Vāyu incarnated.

The passage, Idam te pātram..¹¹⁷³ consists of the praise of Madhva. The Lord is described as Indra that means He is possessing unlimited treasure. And the Lord by name Indra abides in Madhva and hence, Madhva is called Sanavittam. It means he is blessed with pure knowledge, devotion and feeling of detachment.¹¹⁷⁴ And he is also glorified as the main or prime object of presence (Sannidhāna) of the Lord. Madhva is also described as he, who is capable to discuss, understand and bring out the real

import of the Veda.¹¹⁷⁵ He is acclaimed as Pūrṇaśānī as he is also Sarvajña (Omniscient) next to the Lord. He is called Āhava since he, abiding in the qualified souls accomplishes the Jñānayaज्ञा. He is spiritual teacher not only to the sages but also to the gods.

Another verse, Madhvo vo nāma...¹¹⁷⁶ deals with the glorious description of the three incarnations of god Vāyu. It is also explained that Madhva formed Vāyu came down to the earth and lit the lamp of right knowledge for the upliftment of the good.

The passage, Tadasyapriyamabhipātho...¹¹⁷⁷ describes the glory of the Lord and Madhva together. The first half of the passage brings out the significance of the sipping of Viṣṇupādodaka. The second half describes Madhva as Mukhyabandhū, in the sense, foremost among the devotees of Lord Viṣṇu.¹¹⁷⁸

THE BALITTHĀSŪKTA DESCRIBES THE THREE INCARNATIONS OF VĀYU

The hymn, Balitthā tadvapuṣe...¹¹⁷⁹ describes the three incarnations of god Mukhyavāyu, viz., Hanumān, Bhīma and Madhva. The first and second represent the states of Brahmacarya and Grhasthya respectively. The third one represents Sanyāsa.

In the above passage, the term Matī signifies and denotes Hanumān. Hanu means knowledge. So Hanumān is he, who has vast right knowledge.¹¹⁸⁰ The second form Bhīma is glorified as Pitumān. Pitumān is he, who eats¹¹⁸¹ plenty. It is well-known fact that, Bhīma ate plenty when he was sent to kill the demon Baka. The third form is referred to by the name Daśapramatī. As Daśa stands for complete or vast and Pramatī for knowledge, and it is an equalent of Pūrṇaprajña, who is Madhva.¹¹⁸²

In the same hymn, Madhva is described as Mātariśvā. It means he, who churning out the unlimited ocean of the Śāstras brings out the greatness of the Lord who is dwelling in the cave of the heart of all. It also means he, who show the way of realizing the indwelling form of the god. The term Dohase conveys that Madhva milks and gives the relevant and agreeable exposition of the Śruti. He is called Pradiva as he is engaged always in preaching the gods and the good. It also indicates that he is endowed with extra-ordinary lusture. The term Ādhave states that Madhva is foremost and superior among all beings and also the best among well-qualified.¹¹⁸³ Thus, the Balitthāsūkta extols the majestic glory of all the three forms of god Vāyu.

ESTABLISHING THE ULTIMATE SUPREMACY OF THE LORD THROUGH
DISCARDING THE VIEWS OF JĪVAKARTRTVA ETC.

This is really a complicated and controversial topic in the philosophy, particularly in the Dvaita as to who is the Kartā (Doer). The general logic and common experience ascertain that the soul is the Doer. But the deep inquiry poses the question as to who is the real and independent doer.

Vādirāja examines this view in its fitness and critically explains it. He, himself, as if representing all, says that he knows nothing as to what is good and what is bad. Neither he is capable of doing something nor undoing. He acts, as initiated and activated by the Lord like the doll's dancing as being regulated by state-manner. Thus, he admits that he is not an independent and real doer.¹¹⁸⁴

Soul, although like matter, is a dependent; he is not matter since, he is a sentient one. He is capable to act only when initiated and activated by the Lord. Because, it is well experienced that the soul, although minds, is not capable in doing something good. It is also known fact that, the soul, although wishes not, does something wrong. So what all happens, is owing to the will of the Lord and, what not happens, is also at the will of the Lord.

The past Karma cannot be held as the sole initiator or activating agent for the performance of present deed. Because, further it may be questioned as to what was responsible for that past deed. And thus, it ultimately, leads to endless regression. And Karma, being Jada (insentient) neither can act itself nor can activate others. Further, as already said, the soul cannot activate this Karma according to his will. Thus, it is evident that both, the soul and matter are dependent. Difference is only in respect of sentiency and insentiency. Therefore, an independent being is to be inevitably admitted and He is the Lord. He, being Independent in all the respects, can activate the entire world comprising of souls and matter. 1185

The very fact that the birth and death are not under the control of the soul, ascertains the dependence of the soul. Like soul, even the Karma and others are also under control of the Lord. Śruti passage also substantiates that it is the Lord by whom, this world is created, sustained and destroyed. He is Independent activating agent of the entire universe. So it is not proper to hold the view that there is something that activates. Because, as already said, it leads to ad infinitum. And this view also becomes contrary to Śruti passages. So admitting an

Independent Lord, as prime initiator to the actions of all, is most welcome.

Then, the question arises as to why there is distinction as good and bad in the actions when there is only one independent Preraka (initiator)? Reply is, it is because of the inherent eternal ability (Svarūpa yogyatā) of the souls. The Lord activates the souls according to this ability. And, even this ability, like soul, is dependent and hence cannot make the soul to function. So, neither the soul himself, nor his inherent ability and nor even the matter (Karma etc., that is insentient) is held Preraka or activating agent for functioning.¹¹⁸⁶ Even the Adṛṣṭa or unseen power cannot be traced as the cause of functioning. Because, like Karma, it is also Jada. As without the presence of the potter, mud cannot get changed itself into a pot, in the same way, functioning cannot take place without the independent Lord who is the prime and sole activating agent.

When the souls are incapable of doing their functions independently, the question of becoming Preraka or initiator to each other and creating the world etc., is gone afar. Further, the factors, time, Prakṛti and others

cannot be considered as activating agents, since they themselves are insentient and require something else for functioning (movements).¹¹⁸⁷

So, the Lord is the sole and Independent doer and prime activating agent of entire world. He is the possessor of all the three powers of creation, sustenance and destruction, independently.¹¹⁸⁸

The critical examination of a few passages, at this point, by Vādirāja, is to make it clear that the sole and independent doership of the Lord is thus evident and unobjectionable, since it being supported and substantiated by the supreme authority, Veda. The given exposition also promises that it is not the souls only that are not real and independent doers but also the gods like Brahmā, Rudra and others. Therefore, what all happened so far, has been according to the will of the Lord, what is happening at present, is also controlled by the Lord and what will happen in the future, will also with the blessings of the Lord.

From this point till the end of the Phalasaurabha, Vādirāja gives the summary of the detailed exposition of the entire work given so far, in nut-shell.

C O N T R I B U T I O N

CONTRIBUTION OF VĀDIRĀJA THROUGH THE YUKTIMALLIKĀ TO THE INDIAN PHILOSOPHY IN GENERAL AND THE DVAITA (PHILOSOPHY) IN PARTICULAR

Philosophy is defined, 'At the outset, philosophy included the whole field of higher learning everything beyond reading, writing and arithmetic. But as a time honoured saying has it "philosophy is the mother of sciences..."¹¹⁸⁹

The department of knowledge or study which deals with ultimate reality or with the most general causes and principles of things (Now the most usual sense)...

Some times used especially of knowledge obtained by a natural reason...¹¹⁹⁰

Thus, the philosophy is the systematized branch of knowledge that deals with the science of truth.

The contribution of Vādirāja through his magnum opus the Yuktimallikā is unique and outstanding to the Indian philosophy and the Dvaita system.

The salient features of Indian philosophy are:

1. Indian philosophy is at least as old as Rgveda whose date is still indefinite.¹¹⁹¹
2. Philosophy in India is essentially spiritual.¹¹⁹²
3. Philosophy is called Darśana in India. Darśana means vision. Philosophy is the vision of the Reality as a whole. It is an insight into the nature of the whole reality. Indian philosophy is based on reflective thinking, subordinate to the authority of the Vedas.¹¹⁹³
4. Indian philosophy is not a blind methodology and approach. The sources of it are firmly based on infallible evidences. Here, importance is also given to perception and valid experience.
5. It is a prime source of theistic¹¹⁹⁴ and spiritual enlightenment and experience. It is a positive approach and application.
6. It primarily aims at realizing the Truth and also at gaining the unmixed pleasure.

Indian philosophy, although based firmly on the authority of the Vedas, has not discarded the significance of reflective seasoning. Logical reflection in the form of reason, does play significant role in Indian Philosophy. Reason or reasoning is an outcome of gifted thought and the basis or source of which is the wide and unsublated

experience. Radhakrishnan writes "Philosophy proceeds on the facts of experience. Logical reflection is necessary to ascertain whether the facts observed by one individual are accepted by all, or are only subjective in their character. Theories are accepted if they account for facts satisfactorily."¹¹⁹⁵ But it is evident that this reason has its own limitations. It cannot work independently. It always seeks the valid data of other means, and depending on those, works out and fulfils the requirements of the application and argument.

Madhva states that this reason or Yukti is of three kinds. Generally, it is a core of argument and it necessarily refers to and relates with perception, invariable concomitance and testimony. Yuktis are the reasons that produce right knowledge. Hence, the role of reason or Yukti, in determining the fact through argument, is significant.¹¹⁹⁶ Madhva does not prefer the reasons or Yuktis that have no support of either perception or of testimony.

Madhva referring to the statement of Tattvasāra, explains that the very strength or power is two-fold. One is physical and the other intellectual. The physical is explicit and intellectual is implicit. And this

intellectual strength is nothing but the understanding of the reasoning in the form of technique of advancing with the core of argument. Hence, it is more vigorous and firm.¹¹⁹⁷

And this reason or Yukti in the hands of Vādirāja attains novel shape. It does not appear in mere logical form but is present with two forms or shades, logical and artistic. Yukti in the Yuktimallikā is not a bare or naked reason but it is an embellished one. Hence, the Yukti, adduced in the Yuktimallikā and other works, by Vādirāja, is peculiar and rare of its kind. As the logical element or content of the Yukti in the Yuktimallikā, advances with the line of argument, the artistic element of that makes the very argument most appealing and thus, would be come the source of retaining the interest of the readers. It is because of its enshining with poetic beauty. B.N.K.Sharma has rightly remarked "He (Vādirāja) thinks in poetry and argues in it, with all the richness and irresistibility of its appeal... His argument have a distinctive flavor of wit and piquancy of their own."¹¹⁹⁸

Now let us know the contribution of Vādirāja to the common characters of Indian philosophy, accepted by different systems in spite of their wide differences.

THE COMMON CHARACTERS OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

1. The Reality of the Ātman

All the orthodox schools of Indian philosophy believe in the existence of the Ātman. The Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika, the Mīmāṃsā, the Sāṃkhya and the Vedānta admit that Ātman is an eternal and sentient substance. The Jainas regard the existence of the permanent self that is endowed with infinite knowledge, perception, bliss and power. In this regard Vādirāja, ridiculing the views of the Jainas, and refuting the objections of Cārvāka, and others states that the existence of Ātman or soul, is to be admitted. Because the body which is the product of matter and insentient, cannot fulfil the requirements for the survival of the life. Vādirāja asks that if such an entity (soul) is not admitted, then one cannot differentiate the living body from the dead. In addition, he also discusses the nature and form of the soul. He says that the nature of soul is that of knowledge and (bliss). His form is atomic.

2. Faith in Karma

All the schools of Indian philosophy except the Cārvākas, have faith in the doctrine of Karma. They also believe that moral system is manifested through the theory of Karma in the life. According to this theory, it is stated that the results of actions (Karmaphala) are always

with us in the form of impressions and it is these impressions (Saṁskāras) that direct the course of life. A good action produces merit (Punya) and this with impression (Saṁskāra) brings about pleasure, whereas a bad action produces sin (demerit - Pāpa) and that brings about pain. It means, the actions good or bad, leave behind some potency in the form of impressions and these cause pleasure or pain, joy or sorrow in the future.

No doubt Vādirāja agrees with this theory of Karma, and in addition to this He says that this concept Karma has some significant sense and state only when its nature is known. He says that the Karma (in the form of result-impressions) cannot exert its influence independently as it is Jada, insentient. And an insentient entity neither can act itself nor can activate something else. Hence, for execution to have influence, it is to be initiated and activated by sentient being. Vādirāja also specifies that, the embodied soul cannot make it to be active. So, inevitably it is to be accepted that, even this Karma is dependent and under the control of the Lord. It is being activated by that Supreme Being.

3. The Ignorance - the root cause of bondage

Transmigration of soul also is a common feature of all

the systems of Indian philosophy except the Cārvākas. It is well-known fact that the very bondage and the misery in the life are the products of ignorance. The transmigration is a beginningless series of births and deaths. It is due to ignorance or false-knowledge. When this ignorance is removed by the true knowledge of the Reality, the transmigration would get ceased.

Vādirāja discusses the nature of ignorance and promises that it is real unlike the nescience of the Advaita, and also beginningless. He also makes it clear that the embodied soul is the locus of this ignorance. Unlike the view of the Advaita, Vādirāja says that, the Lord cannot be claimed as the locus of ignorance. And it can also not be attributed to Jada which is insentient. Further, he argues that a single and universal ignorance cannot be held responsible for the transmigration in the form of bondage and misery, for all the souls, lest there should not be any difference or variation in the results. It is well-experiencing fact that, the results or effects do differ from soul to soul and hence individual ignorance is to be inevitably accepted. And then only there is some meaning for individual life.

4. Ethical discipline

All the schools of Indian philosophy refer to discipline in life. And they also claim that the practice of discipline should aim at higher values as gain. The rigid self-control, constant meditation on truths right faith and devotion are the some aspects of discipline. They also urge that philosophical investigation and ethical discipline should go together. Vādirāja, in the Yuktimallikā, not at a stretch and at one place, but at different places and on different occasions, stresses for ethical discipline. He talks of the vow of non-violence, the truth, absence of close attachment towards worldly things and pleasures, practice with faith and showing respect in a teacher (spiritual), pure devotion in the Lord and others. In the Bhedasaurabha, interpreting some of the Bhāgavata statements, Vādirāja appeals for non-indulgence in worldly things. In the Phalasaaurabha, he stresses on pure devotion and urges for the long and rigid practice of vow of sacred hearing and others for the same. While, refuting the view of excess indulgence in the practice of the vow of non-violence of the Jainism, he alarms that one should practise the vary vow in view of the situation and also taking into consideration its limitations.

5. Pramāṇas

Pramāṇas are the means of knowledge. And these means help us to gain the knowledge of entities. The ontology of the systems is based on their epistemology. Because, ontology is the theory of reality and epistemology is the theory of knowledge. Though there is difference of opinion regarding the number of Pramāṇas, the three means perception, inference and testimony are generally accepted by all except Cārvākas and Buddhists. Vādirāja, closely following Madhva, upholds the view and argues that in primary and absolute sense and state, the knowledge originated through the means, is itself the prime means to realize the entity. And it is called Kevalapramāṇa. The others, perception, inference and testimony are the instruments and hence are called Anupramāṇas. Vādirāja discusses in detail the nature, the application and the significance with limitations of these Pramāṇas in their fitness to the exposition. The critical explanation of these aspects is vivid in the discussion of problem of validity, and in the refutation of Cārvāka, Jainism and Buddhism, given in the Gunasaurabha.

6. Belief in the authority of the Vedas

All orthodox schools of Indian philosophy recognize the valid authority of the Vedas. And this recognition of authority of the Vedas, is not a blind belief or dogmaticism.

Because, there available the vast literature that systematically makes an inquiry into the validity of even authority. Vādirāja declares that the Vedas are Apauruṣeya and eternal. The impersonality and the eternity of the Vedas must be accepted, otherwise it is impossible to ascertain as to what is right (Dharma) and what is wrong (Adharma), since the human intellect has its limitations. Moreover, human intellect, being limited cannot deal with and discuss the things that are super-human and sometimes abstract. Vādirāja says that the Vedas are authorless. Not only human beings, even the Lord also is not the author of them. He is the reproducer since eternity. Vādirāja discusses the very topic at the beginning of the Yuktimalikā. The reasons or Yuktis cited there, in defence of this, are novel and most appealing. The arguments, advanced there, are simple, deep and at the same time scholastic.

7. The reality of the world

All the schools of Indian philosophy, except the Advaita, recognize the reality of the world. The Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika recognizes the reality of the world in space and time as governed by the law of causality. According to this school, the origin of the material world is out of atoms in space and time. The Sāṅkhya holds that the

world is real and it is the evolution from the Prakṛti. The Mīmāṃsaka school recognizes the reality of the world formed out of atoms under the guidance of law of Karma. The Advaita admits the empirical reality of the world and not the absolute or ontological reality.

In this regard, Vādirāja, refuting the Advaita views, states that the world is neither illusion nor merely an appearance. It is absolutely real. The entire chapter, the Viśvasaurabha, in the Yuktimallikā, critically examines the view of opponents and establishes the ontological reality of the world. Vādirāja adduces hundreds of Yuktis or reasons and states that the world is absolutely and eternally real. It is eternal like a current (Pravāhata-nitya). Vādirāja opines that the total destruction of the effect that is the world, is impossible. Even when it is destroyed, it is present with minute form in its cause. So even during Pralaya or annihilation, world is present in the form of its cause, Mūla prakṛti or primeval matter. So total destruction or disappearance is impossible. When total destruction or disappearance is not possible, the reality of the world is unquestionable and beyond doubt. Vādirāja also discusses this issue in the Bhedasaurabha, on the ground that the difference or Bheda is possible only when the concerned two entities are real.

Therefore, to know and realize the difference between soul and matter, God and matter, the matter (world) must be taken to be real.

8. Liberation, the ultimate end

In Indian philosophy, prime aim of true knowledge is the divine transformation of life and emancipation of worldly miseries. No doubt, there lies wide difference of opinion regarding the nature and means of attainment of release. But it is common that the release is the state of absence of worldly miseries.

At the beginning of the Phalasaurabha in the Yukti-mallikā Vādirāja discusses the nature of release and also the means of attainment of that. He states that the release is not only the negative end as the state of absence of miseries, but it is also a positive gain. The souls, in the release realizing the innate and inherent nature, enjoy the bliss. The release is a state or an abode of blissful enjoyment. He promises that the sacred hearing and others are only auxiliaries to gain the grace of the God and it is the grace of the God which is the prime means of attaining the release.

9. Synthesis of religion and philosophy

Ramnath Sharma writes, "The most striking common feature of all Indian philosophical systems lies in the fact that problems of religion and those of philosophy have not been divided into water-tight compartments. The concept of Dharma in India has been used in a wide and comprehensive sense. In fact, the transformation of life and emancipation from worldly misery constitute the common goal of both philosophy and religion."¹¹⁹⁹

While explaining the relation of worshipped and worshipper in the Bhedasaurabha and Phalasaaurabha Vādirāja briefs the account as to how to worship. He stresses on the real practice and not only relates the idea of that. He puts in test the philosophical principles on the touchstone of life. In defence of this, He also elucidates the incidents narrated in the epic and Purāṇic literature.

In this way, on the work Yuktimallikā throws light on the common characters of Indian philosophy with its new approach and novel treatment.

B.N.K.Sharma writes, "His works show an intense personal fervor and passionate faith in the religious

and metaphysical satisfyingness and superiority of Madhva Siddhānta.¹²⁰⁰ It is clear that Vādirāja has successfully attempted, skilfully solved the objections raised by opponents against the Dvaita. He also has explained the main tenets or doctrines of the Dvaita in the Yuktimallikā in detail. In the Yuktimallikā, Vādirāja, like Madhva, profusely documents the references or statements from original sources of different fields. At every step, in defence of his argument and conclusion, he examines the validity of the quoted statements. His is the purely rationalistic approach.

The main tenets of the Dvaita have been summarised in a verse, the authorship of which is ascribed to Vyāsātīrtha by the tradition.¹²⁰¹

1. Viṣṇu is the Supreme God

Madhva asserts that the prime import of entire scripture is Lord Viṣṇu. All the passages originally and primarily glorify the greatness of the Lord. He is the sole and Independent creator, sustainer and destroyer of the universe. He is the main efficient cause of bondage of transmigration. He is the bestower of liberation. The others, time, space, ignorance (avidyā), Karma etc., are under His control and are secondary causes for transmigration.

The very nature of the soul and the prime material cause (Prakṛti) are also under his control.

All the five chapters or the Saurabhas ultimately aim at and establish the supremacy of Lord Viṣṇu. In the Guṇasaurabha, the Lord is proved as an embodiment of infinite auspicious attributes. It is also evidently proved that He is devoid of or free from material qualities Sattva, Rajas and Tamas. Vādirāja promises that the Lord is not affected or associated with these material qualities. He is spiritual and His form is that of the nature of bliss and knowledge. In this Saurabha, to substantiate the view of Supremacy of the Lord, Vādirāja critically comments on the Mahānārāyaṇopaniṣad elaborately and states that all the declarations of sacred literature undoubtedly proclaim the supremacy of Lord Viṣṇu.

In the Śuddhisaurabha, the concept Ajñāna of the Advaita is refuted and proved baseless. It is also explained that the real and individual Ajñāna or ignorance is the cause of bondage. As there is no ignorance in the Lord, there is no need for Him to come down and assume the state of the soul. He is eternally Pure and released. Hence, He is Supreme and Superior to others who are caught hold in the chain of Samsāra.

In the Bhedasaurabha, Vādirāja adduces the reasons to establish difference between the Lord and the world of soul and matter. He also asserts that this difference is not with equality but with gradation. Referring to the relations of Bīṃbapratibīṃba, Sevyasevaka, Preryapreraka and others, Vādirāja argues that He, who is Bīṃba or reflective, Sevya or worshipped and Preraka or initiating and activating agent; must be supreme and superior to those who are Pratibīṃbas or reflections, Sevakas or worshippers and Preryas or cultivated.

In the Viśvasaurabha, the view of the Advaitins that the world is the illusory projection, is set aside and with the help of valid means, perception, inference and testimony, the absolute reality of the world is established. Vādirāja argues that to create such a wonderful world, the creator must be Omniscient and Omnipotent. Because, ordinary beings with their little and limited knowledge, cannot create this world. So, the creator, who, as already said is Sarvajña and Sarvaśakta must be supreme.

In the Phalasaaurabha, it is strongly ascertained that the Lord's grace is the ultimate means for the attainment of release. The Lord is declared as the sole and

Independent giver of the Mukti, a state of experiencing blissful enjoyments. So, He, who is bestower of the release, must be Supreme.

Thus, all the Saurabhas glorify the supreme nature of Lord Viṣṇu.

2. The World is Ultimately Real

The world, either in effect form or in the state of cause (Prakṛti), exists at all times. It is beginningless and eternal.

The entire Viśvasaurabha, in the Yuktimallikā, is dedicated for the establishment of reality of the world. Vādirāja's argument in this regard is deep and subtle. At the outset, he disproves the view that the world is the product of nescience and hence is an illusory projection. He states that the Ajñāna or nescience is impossible in the Advaita. Because, it is neither real, nor unreal and nor even non-unreal. So, such entity (so called) cannot produce or fabricate the world. That means nescience cannot be the material cause for the emergence of the world. Because, that which is Mithyā, cannot produce this wonderful world. Since it being unsublated to the valid cognition and experience. Vādirāja says that it is a source or an

abode of real and manifold enjoyments. So, the world must be admitted as absolutely real. Even during final annihilation, the world is present in the form of its original and subtle cause (Mūla prakṛti). So, the total destruction of the world cannot be thought of. As it is real, it is also eternal like a current. Moreover the creation of the Lord who is Omniscient and Omnipotent, cannot be a unreal.

3. The Ultimate Reality of Five-fold Difference

The concept difference, which is the very soul of the system (Dvaita), is discussed elaborately in the Bheda-saurabha of the Yuktimallikā. At the beginning Vādirāja discusses and proves that the entities of which the difference is referred to, are real. The Lord, the soul and the matter (world) are all real with distinct nature. He states that, difference is that of the nature of Annyonyābhāva or mutual non-existence as in between jar and cloth. Jar is not a cloth and cloth is not a jar. So there is Bheda in between the two. Vādirāja says, as Brahman is the only reality, in the Advaita, Advaita is helpless in advancing the argument in the form of inference to refute the view of difference. They have nothing to cite in place of illustration as an instance. So the very logical statement or inference is defected and thus does not fulfil the necessary conditions of a syllogism. Vādirāja, relating

with the vivid and valid experience of perception, adducing the appropriate reasons and referring to the scriptural passages proves the five-fold difference and promises that the difference is the basis, solution and pioneer guide for smooth and easy dealing.

4. All souls are dependent on God

The nature of dependance of the souls is explained in the Yuktimallikā in contrast with the nature of Independence of the Lord. Vadiraja deals with the dependent nature of the souls in so many places. He shows the helpless condition of the souls, and states the relations in between the God and the soul. The relation of master and servant or worshipped and worshipper, initiator and initiated etc., clearly mention the state of dependence of the souls. Especially, in the Phalasaubha, it is made clear that the souls cannot get rid off the cycle of birth and death and attain the release themselves. Their seeking refuge in God, is the clear indication of the state of dependence. Befitting to the context, Vādirāja deals with and discusses the distinct nature of Supreme soul and of embodied souls. The distinct nature of the Lord as being eternally liberated, Omniscient and the like, and of embodied souls as being caught hold by ignorance since beginningless, knowing little being helpless in the removal or destruction of the

ignorance and attainment of the release etc., support the view that the souls are dependents.

5. There is gradation among the souls

According to the Dvaita, there are three kinds of souls. The souls fit for liberation, the souls eternally travel through the cycle of birth and death and the souls fit for attaining the Tamas. This is a broad classification. The gradation is not only pertinent to this group classification, but it is also there in respect of individual capability.

Quoting the passages from the Bhagavadgītā, the Bhāgavata, the Brahmasūtra and others, Vādirāja refers to gradation, whenever he minds to deal with the difference. He opines that the concept difference would be meaningful and significant provided there is gradation and vice-versa. He states that as there is gradation and difference in both, the subjective aspects such as experiences, thoughts and in the objective entities, (means of enjoyments), it is evident that this gradation and difference is also there in respect of nature. Thus, in the opinion of Vādirāja, these two concepts are intact and appear as two sides of a coin. Vādirāja also mentions that the facts of difference and gradation continue to exist even in the state of release.

7. Devotion is the means to attain it (release)

Really speaking, it is the God's grace which is the ultimate, direct and prime means for the attainment of the release. And to secure the grace of the Lord, devotion is the only step. The others, namely, sacred hearing, repetition and meditation, are secondary means. Vādirāja defines devotion as, it is the transcendent, supreme, unshaken and perfect love at the feet of the Lord. It is defined as Bhaktiśca Bhagavatsnehaḥ. Devotion has two faces, one is the correct understanding (true knowledge) of Lord's supremacy and the other the highest and true love towards Him. Vādirāja ridicules the view of the Advaita that the knowledge of identity is the means for liberation. He argues and states that there lies no significance, charm, propriety and also any relation in this view. Because, the prescribed Sādhana, as a means of attainment of release, in fact, does not involve and indicate any identity. When it is not there in the course of the practice of prescribed Sādhana, it as an effect or a goal, cannot be there even after the fulfilment of prescribed Sādhana. So knowledge of identity is not a means for attaining the release.

8. There are three means for the gain of the knowledge, namely, the perception, the inference and testimony. Discussing the nature and scope of these means, Vādirāja states that the perception is the prime and foremost only when there is uninterrupted contact of defectless senses with relevant objects. He also opines that this perception has its own limitations since being conditioned. But, the verbal testimony in the form of Veda (Āgama) is an eternally evident and authority unlike the declaration of others. Because, Āgama is impersonal and eternal. The inference would be defectless and more stronger, only when it has the support of either perception or of testimony. It seeks the support of other means as its base and source since it being advocated in the form of argument. Thus, Vādirāja critically examines the validity of the means and defends that it is the defectless nature and universal application which is the criterion of determining the truth or validity of the means.

9. The God could be known only by correct methods of reasoning, the source of which is the eternal, defectless, impersonal and infinite Vedas (Āgama). Vādirāja states that the Lord is Nirdoṣa. And this Nirdoṣatva nature of the God could be realized through only the defectless means as evidences. In the Guṇasaurabha, it is strongly agreed

and proved that Vedas are defectless as being Apauruṣeya. Vādirāja also traces the causes of defects. In his opinion, defects or demerits originate owing to the effect of matter, Prakṛti. As there is no effect of matter, the God is defectless and meritorious. And, Vedas being the declarations of this meritorious God since beginningless, are defectless in nature. And, God is the prime object of glorification of all the Vedas.

In this way, with novel approach and new line of argument, Vādirāja has enriched the field of Dvaita literature. As already mentioned, Yukti or reasoning of Vādirāja not only implies the aspect of argument but promises something more. It is the reason (reasoning) in series of arguments of different shades graced with befitting and apt analogies. The impact or influence of argument is pertinent in the analogies illustrated.

Vādirāja uses or adduces his Yuktis or reasons with dual purpose, that means the reason has two faces. The very content of argument, in view of refutation, exposing the defects of the view of opponents, shows as to what extent the very proposed view or contention of opponents, would be irrelevant and incompatible. And in the case of defence, it critically examining the view of the expounder,

from different angles; proves the fact convincingly. And the analogy, illustrated therein, in defence of and to substantiate the core of argument and which is the part and parcel of argument, also plays the dual role of establishing or proving the demonstrated theory or doctrine of the expounder and disproving the contention of opponents.

Vādirāja's introduction of Pūrvapakṣa and its examination are also new points to be noted. At the beginning, he explains the Pūrvapakṣa very clearly and elaborately. He deals with almost all steps or options of the view in the Pūrvapakṣa. And in so many places, he mentions the name of the work and quotes the statement verily. So, this part or portion of exposition, indeed, affords sufficient material to understand Pūrvapakṣa better. And his examination of Pūrvapakṣa is perfect and promising as at every step, he analyses the things vividly. He then adduces the arguments for refutation.

Novelty and propriety are the two distinct features of Vādirāja's elucidation of the Siddhānta view. He profusely quotes the statements from different sources in defence of given exposition or discussion. Sometimes, he also interprets the quoted statements in a manner most appealing and befitting to the context.

Apart from nine genus of tenets, enumerated above, the contribution of Vādirāja, to some of the distinctive problems of philosophy, particularly the Dvaita, could also be well-known through the Yuktimallikā.

The problems or features which distinguish one school from another are no doubt the concepts, peculiar to that school and in some respects some of them are common even to other systems but, with different sense and application.

1. The Witness (Sākṣin)

The Sākṣin is the very sentiency of soul. It contributes to knowledge by perception (Pratyakṣa-pramāṇa organ). In this role, it functions as a sense. The Sākṣin is not an entity other than the self but it is the permanent quality of sentience of the self. With the help of Viśeṣa, present in the self, distinction is referred to. The Sākṣin plays the role of revelation of the presence and validity of knowledge. The mind, though internal sense, is not capable to reveal the presence and validity of knowledge. It belongs only to the Sākṣin.

In the Guṇasaurabha of the Yuktimallikā, Vādirāja, while discussing the problem of validity, explains the nature of the Sākṣin and the like. According to him, it is

the inner pure sense the nature of which is the very sentiency of the soul. He also traces the limitations and defects of mind and its cognition. He argues that the Sākṣin is pure since being the very sentiency and hence, the cognition of Sākṣin is invariably and undoubtedly valid.

2. Problem of validity

It is one of the controversial topics in the Indian philosophy. Some like Nyāya-Vaiśeṣikas hold that the validity of knowledge is subject to external verification. Whereas others, like Mīmāṃsā and Vedānta hold the view that validity of knowledge is not subject to external verification. It is evident by itself. It is evident that in the Dvaita, the acceptance of the concept Sākṣin, verily fulfil the need and conditions and has made the said theory or doctrine more scientific and appropriate.

In the Guṇasaurabha of the Yuktimallikā, this problem has been discussed in elaborate. Vādirāja discusses the validity of knowledge with regard to its origin and ascertainment distinctly. He shows the irrelevancy and defective nature of validity theory of the Nyāya-Vaiśeṣikas and also points out the limitations and weak-points of self-validity theory of the Mīmāṃsakas. He at this point, cites definitions of some concepts which are more compact, concrete, clear and comprehensive.

3. Concept Viśeṣa

T.P.Ramachandran writes, "Viśeṣa is that peculiar power of substance by virtue of which a quality is distinguished from the substance to which it belongs.¹²⁰² It is also novel contribution of the Dvaita. It helps and solves the technical difficulty in the relation of substance and quality.

At the end of Guṇasaurabha of the Yuktimallikā, Vādirāja deals with this concept, particularly referring to the Lord, His qualities and incarnations. Viśeṣas are infinite in the Lord and they are the very nature of the Lord. As Viśeṣa in the Lord helps for difference or different dealing it also establishes the identity between the Lord and His qualities or forms. Thus, Viśeṣa is a individual distinct feature of substance which helps for Bhēdavyavahāra in respect of the qualities and other aspects of that substance, that are, in reality, identical with the very substance; and with its distinct nature, also promises the difference of that particular substance from others.

4. Causation

Regarding the theory of causation, different views have been expounded by different systems of Indian Philosophy.

Some advocate the theory of Satkāryavāda and others state the Asatkāryavāda. The theory of causation propounded in the Dvaita school is a combination of both. It is the Sadasatkāryavāda. It implies that the effect, in one sense, is present in the cause and in other sense, absent in it. Vādirāja, summarising the theory of causation, attacks the view of the Naiyāyikas that the absence of obstacle is also a cause or means for the emergence of the effect. He explains and proves that the presence of an obstacle does prevent the origin or emergence of the effect, but its absence has nothing to do with the process of emergence. Absence of obstacle is neither the material cause nor the efficient cause. Hence, it cannot be regarded as the cause of effect.

Apart from this, mention with regard to the contribution of Vādirāja, through the Yuktimallikā, may also be made about the critical exposition of the doctrine of Kartṛtva (Doership), the unique interpretation of some Vedic hymns and as a crown to all these, the wide and exhaustive reference of other works. The detailed and critical exposition of some of the Pavamāna and Pūyamāna hymns, given in the Phalasaṁgraha, is an outstanding contribution to the Dvaita in particular. B.N.K.Sharma remarks, "We also meet with purely logical arguments and

discussions, in his work. But his outstanding feature is what may be termed a "common sense approach" to philosophy. He is a master of the art of clever and sustained use of popular analogies redolent of life and literature, in its varied aspects, to drive home his points and establish the superiority of the Dvaita views and expose the weakness of the Advaitic positions. Arguments of a practical nature, instead of logical niceties, that could be comprehended by all and sundry, are thus his forte and some of his hits in this direction are really masterpieces of wit and wisdom. He claims to adopt a purely rationalistic approach."¹²⁰³

C O N C L U S I O N

"The system of Madhva is founded on the continuous authority of a wide range of religious and philosophical literature of India which has been the main source of Indian thought, in its widest sense."¹²⁰⁴

The Dvaita system of philosophy is an outstanding asset and contribution to the perennial flow of Indian thought. The distinction of this system, in respect of originality and novelty, lies in its sound approach and close observation of the facts of the truth on firm logical grounds, and in the unique exposition. B.N.K.Sharma writes, "Madhva built up a cogent and independent system of Theistic philosophy and worked its details and put it on a firm and enduring basis of textual sanctions and logical satisfyingness."¹²⁰⁵

Vādirāja, who flourished in the sixteenth century, was an eminent scholar of repute in the line of exponents of Dvaita literature. He was a great saint-philosopher, the most facile writer in the Dvaita literature, a gifted poet, a great mystic, a noted Haridasa and the like. He was a saint of salient features, man of merits, devotee of devotion and overall a religious and social reformer.

The greatness of the gifted scholar can be known and realized through his distinct contribution to the field of philosophy and literature. Including all, more than hundred works stand to his credit. Most of them are available in printed and unprinted. And others are missing. Among all the works, attributed to the authorship of Vādirāja, the Yuktimallikā, in his magnum opus, running to 5379 ślokas. In essence, the Yuktimallikā is an elaboration of the teachings of the Brahmasūtras in the light of Madhva's commentary. The salient features of the Yuktimallikā are:

1. It is a monumental work written in defence of the Dvaita system.

The Dvaita system, propounded by Madhva, then well nourished and developed by his successors. Among them, Vādirāja, too, stands in front row. Unlike others, he did not like to dive deep in the logical niceties. The work Yuktimallikā affords an impartial and thoughtful discussion and delineates critical exposition of the main aspects of the Dvaita system. The work is, no doubt, an asset and forceful source to meet with and tackle the objections raised by and the contentions of the opponents, on sound and firm arguments of practical nature.

2. It is a rare philosophical work of its kind as being embellished with poetic beauty.

We find a number of works, in general, written either in prose form or in śloka (verse) form. The tenets of philosophy as being the objects of exposition in these works, we seldom find the literary merit or poetic appeal. But the Yuktimallikā, as an exception to this contention of opinion, enshines with poetic beauty. The easy, sweet and beautiful analogies, often quoted as fine samples of illustration, contribute to the appreciation of poetic beauty.

3. It is a descriptive work, giving information and exposition of main topics or contents of philosophy, particularly of the Dvaita.

It can certainly be stated that the Yuktimallikā is like a compact encyclopaedia that gives the brief account of and sometimes stock definitions of the concepts of philosophy, particularly the Dvaita, but not in alphabetical order. In addition to this, it also, in course of discussion, elucidates the detailed exposition of main tenets of the system.

4. It is a treasure of reasonings (Yuktis).

The Yuktimallikā contains a number of logical-cum-artistic arguments. As already pointed out in the previous part, the Yuktis in the Yuktimallikā, have a distinctive flavour of wit and humour, and sharpness of their own.

Thus, the Yuktimallikā, as the very title signifies, is a work of unique collection of jasmine flowers in the form of reasonings. The fragrance or sweet odour of these spreads distinctly in five-fold that means through the five Saurabhas and, clearing away or setting aside the objections and contentions of the opponents, makes the very field of wisdom (Philosophy) the pure and perfumed.

The style of Vādirāja is unique and peculiar of its kind. It is simple and lucid in exposition, deep in devotion and novel in narration. His hair splitting criticism, appealing argument and enlightening exposition cause thrilling sensation to the admiring readers. To conclude with the observations of B.N.K.Sharma, "It was Vādirāja who first brought the wisdom of his predecessors within the reach of all. In this respect, his work marks a new and necessary phase in the history of Dvaita literature and breathes the spirit of a new age which produced other popular exponents of Madhya Siddhānta, both in Sanskrit and in Kannada."¹²⁰⁶

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आचार्ये पारणासक्ते तदा केदारसत्यकम् ॥
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श्रीवेदनिध्याख्ययतींस्तदाज्ञामालम्ब्य संवच्मि गुरोश्चरित्रम् ॥
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लक्ष्मण्ण्यमदार्थिनां विवृत्त्या लक्ष्मूषा ॥
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धार्यतां वादिराजेन रचिता युक्तिमल्लिका ॥
Raghunātha. Vṛttaratnasamgraha p.367, III-27,
मधुक्तिभूषणैर्माति त्वदायख्यानसुवासिनी ।
नानापुष्पलसत्केशबन्धिनी भावगन्धिनी ।
Subbarao H., Vādirāja, Svāpnavṛndāvanākhyāna XL.69.
Sode Vadiraja Mutt, Udupi.

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38. भावमाम्नायवाक्यानामक्लिष्टं वर्णयन्स्फुटम् ।
विष्णुत्कर्षं शिवे हैन्यं साधयामास तत्त्ववित् ।
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हरिभक्तिलतां दिव्यामकार्षीद्विद्वदगुणीः ॥
Satpurācārya, Vādirājagunaratnamālā, p.54, VII-71 & 72.
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46. S.V.G.P.S., Udupi, 1955.
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50. See: S.R.M., S.V.G.P.S., Udupi.
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Mañjari (S.V.S.M), Aitaveya Prakāśana, Vyāsanakere, 1979,
Pp.i-ii.
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महितां सुरमुन्याश्चैचके गुर्वर्थदीपिकाम् ॥
Satpurācārya, Vādirājagunaratnamālā, p.65, X -37.
67. S.V.G.P.S., Udupi, 1954.
68. Ibid, 1960.
69. R.T.P., Belgaum.
70. - - -
सुवर्णमाधुर्यरसादिभिश्च पूर्णं महाकाव्यफलं सुवृत्तं ॥
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विरक्तिविज्ञानसुभक्तियुक्तिप्रौढ्यादिपूर्णस्य मनोहररस्य ।
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यत्र सारमनुभूय कवीन्द्रास्तोषमापुरतुलं रतिकेन्द्राः ॥
Raghunātha Vrttaratnasaṁgraha, I-35, 37 & 38.
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विदुषांमत्यविदुषां मनोहारिभिरुज्ज्वलैः ॥
पूरितं सुरसोपेतं माधुर्यादिगुणान्वितम् ।
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शुद्धमध्वरिसद्भक्तिसिद्धिद्वुद्विद्विदम् ।
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कैवल्यवर्त्मपाथेयं ज्ञानविज्ञानसाधनम् ।
स रुक्मिणीशविजयाख्यं महाकाव्यमातनोत् ॥
Satpurācārya Vādirājagunaratnamālā, V-41, 42, 43, 47, p.33.
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74. स्वदृष्टक्षेत्रतीर्थादिमाहात्म्यस्यावबोधनम् ।
 तीर्थप्रबन्धं कृतवान् पठतामधनाशनम् ॥
 पठनाद्यस्यतीर्थादिसेवनाल्लभ्यमंजसा ।
 सुकृतं जनतायाः स्यात्तं स्तोतुं कोनु शक्नुयात् ॥
 Rāmacandra, Vādirājaguruvaracaritāmṛtam, p.6 II-16 & 17.
 अटन्स्वर्यं तीर्थसमूहपूर्णां तीर्थप्रबन्धं कृतवान्दयालुः ।
 जनांस्तदावर्तनशीलिनश्च चकार तीर्थाटनपुण्यभाजः ॥
 Raghunātha Vṛttaratnasamgraha, I-34.
75. See; S.RaM., S.V.G.P.S.Udupi.
76. Śrīnivāsācār J. R.T.P., Belgaum, 1925.
 Subbarao H. S.S.V.M.Udupi, 1980.
77. एहमूकं द्विजं स्वप्ने बोधयन्नात्मवृत्तकम् ।
 श्रीमद्वृन्दावनाख्यानं पठतां सर्वसिद्धिदम् ॥
 तोष्यन् सज्जनमनः स्वमाहात्म्यावबोधकम् ।
 मन्त्रतुल्यं महाग्रन्थं रचयामास वादिराद ॥
 प्रातस्तद्वदनाच्चित्रं निःसृतं गुरुराणमम ॥
 श्रीवेदनिधिराकर्ण्य लेखयामास मत्करात् ॥
 Rāmacandra, Vādirājaguruvaracaritāmṛtam, p.39, VII-17, 18 & 19.
 तस्य रात्रौ शयानस्य स्वप्न एत्य यतीश्वरः ।
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 सुगोप्यमगदत्प्रेम्णा दिव्यमात्मीयवैभवम् ॥
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 अलौकिकाद्भुतं प्रेम्णा वर्णयामास सर्ववित् ॥
 Śaṭpurācārya, Vādirājagunaratnamālā, XI-67, 69 & 70.p.75
78. अणुवृन्दावनाख्यानं श्रीवेदनिधिसद्गुरुः ।
 स्वाप्नवृन्दावनाख्यानात्संगृह्णालेख्य भक्तितः ।
 लेखयित्वा शिलायां स वृन्दावनतटे बहिः ।
 स्थापयामास भक्तानां निरन्तरजपाय हि ॥
 Rāmacandra, Vādirājaguruvaracaritāmṛtam, p.39, VII-21 & 22.

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80. श्रीभागवतदुग्धाब्धेरुतं संग्रहामृतं ।
वादिराजाख्यतिना माध्वभूदेवतुप्तये ॥
81. Muttigi Bhimasenācar, Bangalore-18, 1985
82. Rāmakṛṣṇappā Dvaita Vedānta Pāthasālā, Bangalore.
83. सुप्राव्यकाव्यस्तुतियुक्तिसारं गाथाशयनानाविध्याब्धयः ।
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Raghunātha, Vṛttaratnasamgraha III-31.
ज्ञाताधिकग्रन्थगणैः कीर्तिस्तस्मै न्ययीषन् ।
V.G.C., III-66, p.16.
84. See: 'Stotraratnamālā, S.V.G.P.S.Udupi,
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Prakāśana, Vyāsanakere, 1979, Pp.ii-iii.
86. Supra, fn.79, Pp.404-405.
87. - - - श्रीमद्भागवतादिकान् ।
चकार सुबहून् ग्रन्थान्प्राकृतान्संस्कृतानुगान् ॥
स्तोत्रानुष्यावयान्पंचभेदास्तरतमादिकान् ।
मन्त्रानपि बबन्धाहान् स्त्रीणां प्राकृतभाषया ॥
Ṣaṭpurācārya. Vādirājagunaratnamālā, Pp.57 & 59:IX-30 & 31.
88. Madhvasiddhānta Granthālaya, (M.S.G) Udupi, 1927.
B.Bhimarao, Dāvanagere, 1972.
89. B.Bhimarao, Sarvajnācārya Sevā Sangha (S.S.S)
Dāvanagere, 1980.

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91. M.S.G., Udupi, 1928; S.S.S.Ḍāvaṇagere, 1972.
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94. } K.Raghavēndrarao, Bangalore.
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96. S.S.S., Ḍāvaṇagere, 1974.
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99. Prabodhini Pustaka Bhandar, Udupi.
100. M.S.G., Udupi, 1930; L.B.Muragoda, Bangalore, 1985.
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102. महाभारततात्पर्यनिर्णयं प्राकृतं व्यधात् ।
Ṣaṭpurācārya: Vādirājaṇaratnamālā. IX-29, p.57,
Pub-Trailokyācārya Sevaka Vṛnda, Bangalore, 1980.

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103. Sinhā, Jādunātha, 'Introduction to Indian Philosophy', (Int.Ind.Phil
Laksmi Narian Agarwal, Agra, 1949, p.1
104. Paul Edwards: 'The Encyclopaedia of Philosophy'. The
MacMillan Company & The Free Press, New York, 1967, Vol.6, p.217.

105. लोकसिद्धो राजा परमेश्वरः । देहोच्छेदो मोक्षः ।

Viṣṇumūrtibhaṭṭa G: Sāyaṇamādhava 'Sarvadarśanasamgraha' (S.D.S) (Kannada) M.V.Balaganapathi, Vāṇi Vilāsa Road, Mysore, 1973, Vol.1 p.3.

"God whose existence cannot be perceived, fares no better than the soul. The material elements produce the world, and a supposition of a creator is unnecessary".

Chatterjee & Dutta, 'An Introduction to Indian Philosophy' (An Intr.Ind.Phil) University of Calcutta, 1954, p.65.

See: "Sāṅkhya asserts that the theology of the Prakṛti is sufficient to explain all order and arrangement of the cosmos. The Mīmāṃsakas, the Cārvākas, the Buddhists and the Jains, all deny the existence of Īsvara (God)".

Dāsagupta, S. "A History of Indian Philosophy" (A Hist.Ind.Phil)

106. रूपादिरहितत्वेनातीन्द्रियत्वात् ।

Viṣṇumūrtibhaṭṭa G: 'Sarvadarśanasamgraha' Vol.2, p.63.

See: "This world, therefore, being an effect must be preceded by a cause, and this cause is Īsvara. This cause we cannot see, because Īsvara has no visible body, not because he does not exist."

Dāsagupta, S. "A History of Indian Philosophy" Vol.1, p.326.

107. ननु महता परिकरबन्धेन कण्ठवरेण उद्गुह्य ज्ञेयं ब्रह्म "ज्ञेयं प्रवक्ष्यामि" इति, अननुरूपमुक्तम् ... सर्वान् हि उपनिषत्सु "नेति नेति" अस्थूलमनणु इत्यादि विशेषप्रतिषेधेनैव निर्दिश्यते । न "इदं तत्" इति । वाचो गोचरत्वात् ।

Sāṅkara, Gītābhāṣya XIII.12, 1942. p.181.

Cf: सर्वशब्दवाच्यस्य लक्षणापि न दृष्टेति न तस्य शास्त्रगम्यत्वम् ।

Madhva; 'Viṣṇutatvanirṇaya'. (V.T.N) Sri Madhvaraddhānta Samvardhinī Sabha, Madras-1969, p.962.

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Cf: "Brahman, in this absolutely transcendent aspect, say Sāṅkara, cannot be described at all and it is, therefore, called interminate and characterless or nirguṇa. The description of Brahman even as infinite, real, consciousness, though more accurate than accidental descriptions, cannot directly convey the idea of Brahman"

Datta & Chatterjee, 'An Intr.Ind.Phil' University of Calcutta, 1954, p.397.

108. तदिदं गुणपूर्त्यैव सर्वमित्येव शब्दितम् । भाविभूतभवत्कालेऽवेक रूपतया हरिः ।
सर्वदा नित्य इत्येषा व्याख्यौकारस्य कीर्तितितिवृहत्संहितायाम् ।

Madhva, 'Māṇḍūkopaniṣadbhāṣya (Mā.U.Bhā) (Sarvamūlagrānthāḥ) Akhila Bhārat Mādhva Mahā Maṇḍal (ABMMM) Bangalore, 1969. Vol.1, p.513.

109. अनुमा युक्तिरेवोक्ता व्याप्तिरेव तु सा स्मृता । §31§

Madhva, 'Anuvyākhyānam (AV) (Sarvamūlagrānthāḥ) Vol. 1, p.61.

110. कामाद्य नानुमानापेक्षा ।

यथाकामं हि अनुमातुं शक्यते । अतो न तत्त्वे पृथगनुमानमपेक्ष्यते ।

Madhva, 'Brahmasūtrābhāṣya (Br.Sū.Bhā) (Sarvamūlagrānthāḥ) ABMMM. Bangalore, 1969, Vol.1, p.18.

111. स्यात्तत्र युक्त स्वार्थो युक्तिश्च त्रिविधा मता ॥ 19.

व्याप्तिप्रत्यक्षा यस्या युक्तिगाऽऽगमगा तथा ।

प्रत्यक्षागममूला तु युक्तिस्तत्र बलीयसी ॥ 20.

Madhva, 'Anuvyākhyānam. ABMMM. Bangalore, Vol.1, p.60

112. श्रीमध्वाचार्यमतोक्तयुक्तिमवलम्ब्य युक्तिरसिकतया युक्तिमल्लिकाख्यग्रन्थं
करिष्यमाणो भगवान्वादिराजमुनिः।

Surottamātīrtha, 'Bhāvavilāsinī (Bh.Vi) com.on Yuktimallikā (Y.M) Kumbhakoṇam, 1903, p.2.

Gunasaurabha:

113. भक्त्या स्तुत्या विरक्त्या भजदमलजनौन्नत्यभूत्यर्पकाय
 क्षित्यामत्यल्पभूत्येवपिकुजनकृतौद्वत्यभूत्याजकाय ।
 कर्त्रे धर्त्रेथ हर्त्रे हयमुखहरयेऽमुत्रपात्रे नमस्ते
 तस्मै कस्मैचिदस्मन्मनसिधृतकथा विस्मृतौस्मारकाय ॥ 1-1.
Vādirāja, Y.M. Gunasaurabha (G.S.) Ślokas 1 to 5 Pp.2 & 3.
114. हयग्रीवं देवं वयमिममुपास्येवकृतिनः ।
Ibid. p.3, Śl, 6.
115. बौद्धजैनागमौ पूर्वपक्षौ सवगिमस्य हि ।
 ततः परस्ताज्जातेषु मतेषु च यथाक्रमं ॥
 पूर्वः पूर्वः पूर्वपक्षो यावन्मध्वमतोदयः ॥
 अन्ते सिद्धस्तु सिद्धान्तो मध्वस्यागम एव हि ॥
Ibid. p.4b, Śl, 8 & 9.
116. निर्णेतुं शक्यते युक्तायुक्तपक्षविमर्शिभिः ।

 तस्मात्स एव सिद्धान्त इति निश्चित्य चेतसा ।

 मयेत्थं युक्तिरुचिना क्रियते युक्तिमल्लिका ।
Ibid, Ślokas 9-11 Pp.4b & 4.
117. अतो मायावादमतान्नास्मैवाति जुगुप्सितात् ।
 भीतो ह्यमभजंतत्त्ववादिनामेव पद्धतिं ॥
Ibid, p.5b, Śl.20.
118. न स्नेहान्नयविस्नेहाद्युत्त्याकृष्टेन केवलं ।
 यतः कृतासि सत्तर्करसिकानां मुदे भव ॥
Ibid, p.6b, Śl.24.
119. Winternitz, 'A History of Indian Philosophy',
 Oriental Books Reprint Corporation, New Delhi-1972, Vol.I p.52.

120. Rādhākṛṣṇan, 'Indian Philosophy' George Allen & Unwin Ltd, London, 1971, Vol.I, p.63.
121. मानाधीना मेषसिद्धिः । न प्रयोजनाधीना ।
Q.Pañcamukhi R.S. 'Vedāpauruṣeyatvavādaḥ' (Ve.Aup.Vā)
Karnataka Historical Research Society, (K.H.R.S) Dharwad,
(Undated) p.XV.
122. The number of Pramanas differs from one school of philosophy to another, perhaps all but Cārvākas and Buddhists etc., have accepted these three (Perception, Inference and Verbal testimony) in general.
123. निर्दोषार्थेन्द्रियसन्निकर्षः प्रत्यक्षम् ।
Madhva. Pramāṇa Lakṣaṇa (Pra.Lakṣ) Srīman Mādhvarāddhānta Samvardhaka Sabhā, Poornaprajna Vidyāpeetha, Bangalore-1969, p.33.
124. Infra.198
निर्दोषोपपत्तिरनुमानम् । ... उपपत्तिश्च यथार्थतो ज्ञातैवार्थं बोधयति ।
Madhva. Pramāṇa Lakṣaṇa p.34.
125. अविनाभावो व्याप्तिः ।
Pañcamukhi R.S. 'Pramāṇa Paddhati' (Pra.Pad) by Sri Jayatīrtha, K.H.R.S, Dharwad-1982, p.49.
126. निर्दोषः शब्दः आगमः ।
Madhva. Pramāṇa Lakṣaṇa, p.38.
127. Cf. 'They are the indispensable guides to the correct meaning and import of the verbal testimony in general'.
Panchamukhi R.S. Vedāpauruṣeyatvavāda ,K.H.R.S,Dharwad,p.iv.

128. Cf: "Hence, for the proof of Dharma, Adharma, Virtue, Sin, heaven and hell which the Buddhists also admit, Verbal testimony untouched by human failings is the only acceptable evidence. That is evidently the Vedas which are known from generation to generation to be Apauruṣeya'. Ibid, p.x.
129. वेदा ह्यनन्ता इति हि श्रुतिराहाप्यनन्तताम् । §23§
अनन्तवेदनिर्णीतिर्महाप्रब्यवारिधेः ॥ §24§
Madhva. Anuvyākhyāna p.145, III-iii-23 & 24.
130. व्यधदाद्यज्ञसंतत्यै वेदमेकं चतुर्विधम् ।
अग्युजुःसामाथर्वाश्च वेदाश्चत्वार उदृताः ।
Pañcamukhi R.S, 'Ve.Aup.Vā' K.H.R.S,Dharwad p.II
131. "The Vedas are oldest extant literary monuments of the Aryan minds" : Sharma C.D. 'A critical survey of Indian Philosophy' Motilal Banarasidas, Delhi,1979, p.13.
132. मन्त्रब्राह्मणयोः वेदनामधेयम् ।
Ibid, p.14.
133. प्राबल्यमागमस्यैव जात्यातेषु त्रिषु स्मृतमिति वचनात्
अलोके र्थे प्रबलप्रमाणभूतस्य वेदस्य ... ।
Surottamatīrtha. Bh.Vi, com.on V.M.Guṇasaurabha (G.S.)p.7.
134. Pāṇḍurangi K.T. 'Essentials of Yuktimalikā of Sri Vadirajatīrtha, Bangalore,1983, p.5.
135. बहुत्वेन बलीयांसि वचनानीति मे मतिः ।
अनेकदर्शनाचार्यान् कथमेको निवारयेत् ॥
Y.M. G.S, Pp.7 & 8b. Ślokas, 34 & 35.
136. असर्वज्ञवर्षास्येवं विस्तृता नि परस्परं ।
न धर्मनिर्णयायाम् ... ॥
Ibid, p.8 b Śl.36.

137. बुद्धस्यापीश्वरावतारत्वेन सर्वज्ञत्वात्तेन च तदुक्तविपरीतधर्मस्यैवो-
क्तत्वात् यज्ञादेरीश्वरोक्तमार्गेण न धर्मत्वनिर्णयो भवतीति भावः ॥
Bh.Vi. com. on Y.M., G.S., p.8b, 625.

138. अतः पुंवाक्यतो धर्मः कथं निणीयते वद ।
Y.M., G.S., p.8, Sl.39.

139. Supra, fn.110.

140. ततः पुरुषचनयुक्तिप्रत्यक्षाणामतीन्द्रिय धर्मानिश्चायकत्वात् ।
Bh.Vi. com.on Y.M. G.S, p.8.

141. अनादिनित्यावाग्वाच्या धर्मसिद्धये ततो खिलैः ॥
Y.M. G.S, p.8, Sl.42.

142. अनादितः पूर्वपूर्वसम्प्रदायबलागता ।
सा तु नार्थं व्यभिचरेत् कर्तृदोषविवर्जिता ॥
Ibid, p.9b, Sl.44.

143. अस्ति चतुर्णामाचार्याणां वेदप्रामाण्ये संमतिः ।
Bh.Vi. Com.on Y.M. G.S, p.9b, 626.

It is to be noted that the reference of Jainism in terms has not been made with Cārvāka and Buddhism in negating the authority of the Vedas. The reference of Jainism is to be accounted for as Vadiraja deals with Buddhism and Jainism together - Infra - p.

Cf: The orthodox schools of Indian philosophy, the Nyāya, the Vaiśeṣika, the Sāṃkhya, the Yoga, the Mīmāṃsā and the Vēdānta believe in the authority of the Vedas. But the heterodox schools, the Cārvāka, the Buddhist and the Jaina reject their authority.

Sinha. Jadunatha. 'Outlines of Indian philosophy'
Sinha Publishing house, Private Ltd., Calcutta Ch.II, p.18.

144. In the Kapādasūtras, though the reference about the God is not clearly made, is indeed hinted at and suggested (i) whereas it is explicitly done in the Nyāyasūtras of Gotama. (ii).

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(i) तद्वचनादान्मायस्यप्रामाण्यम् । Vai.Sū.3.

Śreṣṭhi, Kanāda (Vaiśeṣikasūtrāṇi), Kṣemarāja
Śrī Kṛṣṇadāsa, Bombay, 1969, p.5.

(ii) ईश्वरः कारणं पुरुषकर्मफल्यदर्शनात् । ... -IV-i-19.

गुणविशिष्टमात्मान्तरमीश्वरः । तस्यात्मकल्पात् । कल्पान्तरानुपपत्तिरिति ।
Sāstri & Śukla, 'Nyāyadarśana of Gotamamuni with the
Bhāṣya of Vātsyāyana'. Jayakṛṣṇadāsa. Haridāsa Guptā.
The Chowkhamba Sanskrit Series Office, Benares city-1942,
Pp.190 & 191.

Cf: " The technical aspects of God functioning presumably
did not occur to the earliest formulators of these
theories, engaged in developing the fundamentals of
the mechanics of atomism and causation, and it is only
when they discovered that they needed additional
agents besides humans that they were moved to postulate
a Super-self, God, who can fulfil the requirements."

Potter, Karl. H. The Encyclopaedia of Indian Philosophy
Motilal Banarasi Das, Delhi, 1977, Vol.II Pp.22 & 23.

145. The idea of bodyless (formless) God has been developed
in to a conception in the Nyāya Vaiśeṣika School later (iii)
And creatorship etc, (even the authorship of Veda) is also
attributed to that bodyless God (iv)

(iii) यत्पुनर्विकल्पितं - सशरीरः ईश्वरः सृजति जगत् ? अशरीरो वा ?
इति - तत्राशरीरस्यैव सृष्टत्वमभ्युपगच्छामः ।

Jayantabhatta, & 'Nyāyamañjarī', Oriental Research Institute,
Mysore, 1969, Vol.1, p.507.

(iv) अशरीरस्य वेदकर्तृत्वम् ।

स्वेच्छानिर्मितदेहभेदसचिवो वेदप्रणेताशिवः ।

नह्येतादृशदेहयोगिनममुं नेच्छन्ति नैयायिकाः ॥ ... ॥

Subramanya Sāstri, S., 'Nyāyasāraḥ of Bhāsarvajña,
Govt.O.M.L, Madras, 1961, Ch.II, p.11.

Potter, dealing with Ātmatatvaviveka of Udayana,
writes: " The Vedas are valid, being utterances of a trust
worthy person whose existence is to be inferred as the
creator of the universe. The universe is a product, the
agent of which must be an Omni-scient person, who is God...
Since God needs no body to satisfy the requirements of
agency, where as ordinary human agents do require a body...
Since God has direct control over everything, unlike
ordinary mortal agents, He needs no body to create the World.

...

...

The Vedas and Āyurvedas are His compositions, and so authentic.

God, therefore, must be taken to create the world and to utter the Vedas at that time.

Potter, Karl, H. 'The Encyclopaedia of Indian Philosophy'
Vol. II. Pp. 554, 555 and 556.

146. अशरीरः तदीशस्तां नैव वक्ति कदाचन ।

Y.M., G.S., p.9, Śl.47

147. Ref: Sharma, C.D. 'A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy'
p.183.

148. Rgveda X-90-9.

प्रादुर्भाविजनेस्तस्माद्वृचस्तामानि जज्ञिरे ।
अक्षामादेरभावे प्राग्यज्ञस्तोत्रं कृतोभवत् ।
देवास्तेनायजन्तेति पूर्वां श्रुतिमनुस्मर ॥
Y.M., G.S. p.10, Śl.53.

149. श्रीर्भूर्देवेति या मिन्ना प्रकृतिशक्तिरुच्यते ।

- - - ताभिः शयानं पुरुषं सैवतु श्रुतिरूपिणी ।
अस्तौत् प्रकाशयात्मानं प्रकृतिं जीवबन्धनाम् ... ॥

Madhva, 'Bhāgavata Tātparya' (Sarvamūla granthāḥ) ABMMM,
Bangalore, Vol.3, Pp.560 & 561, 10-94.

150. न च वर्णं पदादीनामनित्यत्वं वक्तुं युक्तम् । सर्वज्ञत्वादीश्वरस्य

तदबुद्धौ सर्वदा प्रतीयमानत्वात् ।

न केवलं वर्णमात्रं नापि पदादिमात्रं किंतु समस्ताश्च यथायोगं शाश्वताः ।
सर्गेऽपि नोप जायन्ते प्रलये न व्यथन्ति चेति ।

Madhva, 'Visṇutatvanirṇaya', Pp.260 & 261.

151. यस्यास्ति पुस्तकं हस्ते ह्यास्यस्य विधेर्गुरोः ।

स च वक्ताऽनादिनित्यसिद्धबुद्धिक्रमात्क्रमम् ।

Y.M., G.S., P.11b, Śl.56

152. देवस्यैष स्वभावोऽयमिति श्रुतेः स्वबुद्धिस्वभावादेव वेदस्थ -
पौर्वापर्यं घटयेन्नतु सर्वज्ञत्वशक्त्या ... ।
Bh.Vi.,com.on Y.M. G.S. p.11b.
153. Cf: सर्गे सर्गेऽमुनैवेत उद्गरीर्यन्ते तथैव च ।
तत्कृमेणैव तैर्वर्णस्तैः स्वरैरेव नान्यथा ॥
Madhva.Visnutatvanirnaya p.243.
154. उपाधिनित्यतायां तु नित्यताप्यस्य शोभते ।
Y.M., G.S. p.11 Ś1.58
See for details, Subbachar D.V, 'Vedasvarupavicārah'
Sri Guru Nivasa, 120, Telugu Brahmin Street, Coimbatore-1
1982, Pp.29 & 30.
155. अतो कर्तैव को नन्तवाक्लतारं निगूहयेत् ।
कर्तृप्रसिद्ध्यभावेन तदेवोयमकर्तृकः ॥
अकर्तृत्वं ध्रुवलेभे या नित्येति श्रुतौ श्रुता ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.17, Ślokas, 99, 100 & 101.
156. Supra.
Cf: " They are the God's commands transmitted to the sages
for the good of His entire creation, at different times
and places, unconditioned by the limitations of time
and place.
Panchamukhi R.S, Ve.Aup.Vā. P.XXXXIV & XXXV.
157. Nārāyaṇa paṇḍita 'Sumadhvavijaya', P.405, Ch.XVI-5.
158. धर्मस्यवेदनादेव स वेदो नात्र संशयः ।
Y.M., G.S, p.20, Ś1.127
159. ह्यग्रिबमुखोद्गरीणां सा वाणी धर्मशासनं ।
अतस्तदुदितो धर्मो ह्यधर्मस्तद्विपर्ययः ॥
Y.M., G.S, p.21b, Ś1.131.

160. Chatterjee & Datta, 'An Introduction to Indian Philosophy'
p.57.

160.A.Garbe says "several vestiges show that even in the
pre-Buddhistic India, proclaimers of purely materialistic
doctrines appeared".

Sharma C.D., 'A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy'
p.40.

161. पृथिव्यप्तेजोवायुरिति तत्त्वम् ।
तत्त्वमुदाये शरीरेन्द्रियविषयसंज्ञा ।
किंवादिभ्यो मदशक्तिवद्विज्ञानम् ।
चैतन्यविशिष्टः कायः पुरुषः ।
काम स्वैकः पुरुषार्थः ।
मरणमेवायवर्गः ।

Q.Sivakumaraswāmy M. 'Sad-darśanasamuccaya' (Sad.D.Sam)
Bangalore University, Bangalore Pp.99 & 100.

162. शिष्यप्रमायै वाग्वाच्या सा शोच्या मानता न चेत् ।
Y.M., G.S., p.21 Śl.133.
न ह्यप्रमाणभूताच्छास्त्राच्छिष्याणां तत्त्वबोधो भवति ।
Bh.Vi. Com.on Y.M. G.S., p.21.

163. किं च प्रत्यक्षमेवैकं मानमित्यादिरूपिणी ।
वाक्य प्रमापिका चेत्स्याद्वाक्यार्थं प्रच्युतिस्तदा ।
यद्यप्रमापिका सा स्याद्वाक्यार्थप्रच्युतिस्तदा ॥
अथियाथार्थतः प्राहुः अमानत्वं यतो बुधाः ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.21, Ślokas 134, 135.

164. चावकित्य न वाक् चावी कुवीतात्मवर्धं यतः ।
अक्षैकमानतावाक्किं रक्षेदात्मप्रमाणताम् ॥
Ibid, p.21b Śl.132.

165. Cf: To accept the validity of perception and, at the same time and from the same standpoint, to reject the validity of inference is a thoughtless self-contradiction.
Sharma C.D., 'A Critical survey of Indian Philosophy' p.43.
166. प्रत्यक्षस्यैव मानत्वे युक्तिश्चेत्कथ्यते त्वया ।
अनुमानं तदामानं यदियुक्तिर्न कथ्यते ॥
अनुमानं तदामानं राजाज्ञा न हिते वचः ॥
Y.M. G.S. p.23b. §1.144.
167. Cf: Thoughts and ideas, not being material objects, cannot be perceived, they can only be inferred.
Sharma C.D., 'A Critical survey of Indian Philosophy' p.43.
168. तस्मात्प्रत्यक्षानुमानागमानां मानता धृवा ।
Y.M. G.S. p.23b §1.146.
169. Sharma C.D. 'A critical Survey of Indian Philosophy' p.43 & 44
170. Ref: क्वचित् फलप्रतिलम्भस्तु मणिमन्त्रौषधादिवत्
यादृच्छिकः । अतस्तत्साध्यमदृष्टादिकमपि नास्ति ।
Viṣṇumūrtibhaṭṭ G., Sāyaṇamādhava, 'Sarvadarsāṇasamgraha'
Pp.16 & 17.
171. अदृष्टं च तदेष्टव्यं दृष्टवत् कार्यणोरवात् ।
कार्यस्य निर्निमित्त-त्वं अन्मत्तो वक्तुमर्हति ॥
Y.M., G.S. p.23, §1.151.
172. अदृष्टानियमात् ।
अनादिविधाकर्मादिवैचित्र्यात् वैचित्र्यम् ।
Madhva, 'Brahmasūtrabhāṣya', (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ) p.107.
त स्वाशेष जीवस्थानिस्संख्यानादिकालिकान् ।
धर्माधर्मान् सदापश्यन् स्वेच्छया बोधयत्यजः ।
Madhva, 'Anuvyākhyāna' (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ) p.202.

173.

Y.M. G.S., p.24, Śl.158.

174. अत्रयत्वारिभूतानि भूमिवार्यनलानिलाः ।

चतुर्भ्यः खलु भूतेभ्यश्चैतन्यमुपजायते ॥

Viṣṇumurtibhaṭṭa G., Sāyaṇamādhava, 'Sarvadarśanasamgraha'p.8.

Vādirāja's mentioning of only three material elements, the earth, the water and the fire looks surprising. The element air might be dropped in the hands of Vādirāja on account of its having unperceptible nature unlike water, earth and fire.

पृथिव्यप्तेजसांयोगो जीवदेहेऽपि नापरः ।

Y.M. G.S., p.24, Śl.156.

175. तथा च शरीरातिरिक्तजीवाभावे जीवत्शरीरवत् कुण्वेऽपि प्रमातृत्वादिकं स्यात् ।

Bh.Vi. com.on Y.M., G.S.p.24.

176. ज्ञानं तु पंचभूतात्मजडवर्गे न कुत्रचित् ।

अतो जडस्वभावो न तद्योगेऽपि जडे कथं ॥

Y.M. G.S., p.25b, Śl.162.

177. जीवस्तज्जडदेहान्यो मान्यो यं देहिनं विदुः ।

Y.M. G.S., p.25, Śl.167.

178. देहि पदवाच्यत्वादेव देहादन्यो जीवः सिद्ध्यतीति भावः ।

Bh.Vi.com.on Y.M., G.S, p.26.

179. नित्यदेहान्यजीवस्य पक्षे तु क्षेममेति सा ।

Y.M., G.S, p.26b, Śl-169.

180. जडदेहात्मताजीवे जडाकारेण चाकृतिः ।

यच्छेदमेदवेधाग्निदाहाद्यैस्त्ववधप्रदा ॥

तद्बुधास्तां न मन्यन्ते मनःशेदाय यत्सदा ॥

Ibid. p.27b, Śl.173.

181. *बलमानन्द ओजश्च सहो ज्ञानमनाकुलम् ।
स्वरूपाण्येव जीवस्य व्यज्यन्ते परमाद् विभोः *
इति गौपवनश्रुतिः ।
Q.Madhva, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya (II-iii-30) p.102.
182. सुखज्योतिस्वरूपात्मचित्तां साकारतां स्तुमः ।
Y.M., G.S, p.27B, Śl .174.
183. अणूनामणुराकारो यथानित्योस्त्यनादितः ।
ज्योतिर्मयास्तथाजीवास्ताकारास्तन्तु संततं ॥
अतो नित्यचिदाकारो युक्तिसिद्धो न वार्यते ।
Ibid, p.27 & 28b, Ślokas, 176 & 180.
184. ... तस्मादेवंजातीयकेषु वाक्येषु यथाश्रुतं निराकारमेव-
ब्रह्म अवधारयितव्यम् ।
Sāṅkara, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, (Hindi Ed.) III-ii-14.
Ṣaṭśātri, Chowkhamba Vidyabhavana, Varanasi, 1967, Vol.2, p.526.
185. परमाणुमारभ्य पंचमहाभूतपर्यन्तस्य सर्वस्य च जडप्रपंचस्य सर्वेषां चेतनानां च
उक्तविध्यासाकारत्वात् सहस्रशीर्षाद्याकारवति भगवति निराकारस्य च
सुतरामयोगात् सार्वजनीनमिदं प्रमेयं ... ।
Bh.Vi. Com.on Y.M., G.S, p.28.
186. वयंतु ज्योतिषस्तस्य ज्योतिरूपमुक्करी ।
चरणानुदरादींश्च वदामोऽत्र किमदभुतं ॥
Y.M., G.S, p.29b, Śl .186.
187. वैशेष्यात्तु तद्वादस्तद्वादः । Br.Sū. II-iv-23.
भूतानां विशेषसंयोगादेव विशेषव्यवहारः ।
*पार्थिवाणां शरीराणामर्थेन पृथिवी स्मृता ।
इतरेषां विभागिन्य आपस्तेजस्तु भागतः ।
इति सामान्यतो ज्ञेयं भेदं च प्रतिपूरुषम् ।
स्वर्गस्थानां शरीराणामर्थं तेज उदाहृतम् ॥ इति ब्रह्मसंहितायाम् ।
Madhva. Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, p.116.

188. सुखरूपाश्च ते सर्वे ज्ञानरूपाश्च सर्वदा ।
अनादिनित्यसत्याश्च चिद्रूपावयवायतः ॥
Y.M. G.S., p.29, Śl.189.
189. Supra.
190. तल्लिङ्गदेहता चैषां तत्तद्रूपानुमापनात् ।
Y.M. G.S., p.30, Śl.197.
191. अतस्त्वभावतस्सर्वे साकारा जीवराशयः ।
तत्कण्ठकोपमा तत्तल्लिङ्गमूर्तिश्च तादृशी ॥
Ibid, p.31b. Śl.201.
192. जडान्तरादृष्टरूपं तन्ननामेवमागतं ।
Ibid, p.31, Śl.203.
तस्मात् स्वाभाविककरचरणादिमन्नित्यदेहो अंगीकार्यः ।
Bh.VI. com. on Y.M. G.S., p.31.
193. तस्य निर्मूलनायास्ति धर्मःकोपि न ते मते ।
Y.M. G.S., p.32, Śl.212.
Cf: न च तेन लोकोपकारः । धर्माविभावज्ञाने परस्पर-
हिंसादिना अपकारस्थैव प्राप्तेः ।
Madhva, 'Viṣṇutatvanirnaya', p.98.
194. दुःखोज्झितं सुखं प्रार्थ्यं न तु दुःखान्वितं सुखं ।
Y.M., G.S., p.33, Śl.220.
195. अतो निष्फलमेवामूछास्त्रं ते क्लीबशास्त्रवत् ।
Y.M. G.S., p.34b, Śl.223.
196. Pāṇḍurangī K.T, 'Essentials of Yuktimallikā of Vādirāja-
tīrtha', Bangalore, 1983, p.21.
197. Sharmā C.D, 'A critical survey of Indian Philosophy', P.46.

198. व्याप्तिधर्मिलिंगग्राहकप्रमाणं प्रत्यक्षमागमं वा अनुसृत्य
प्रमाणं ननु अनुमा ।
Bh.Vi. com. on Y.M, G.S, p.35.
199. अतो युक्त्यापि नार्थस्ते यत्ता हिंसां प्रशंसति ।
Y.M, G.S, p.35, Śl.236.
200. किंच युक्त्येकभक्तश्चेत्कर्तव्यमांसं निषेधति ।
भूतेभ्योन्यन्नवै मांसं नान्यदन्ने पि दृश्यते ॥
एकं त्याज्यं भोज्यमन्यदित्येतत्केन ते मते ॥
Ibid, p.36b, Śl,239.
201. कुल-जोषि-जीव-मग्गण-ठाणाङ्गसु-जाणिउण जीवाणं ।
तत्सारं भणियत्तण-परिणामो होइ पढमवदं ॥
Gautamacandraji. Jīvarāja, 'Kunda Kunda Prābhṛta Saṁgraha '
(Hindi Ed.) Gulabcanda Hirachanda Doshi - Sholapur, 1960, p.201.
Ref: " THE CONCEPT of ahimsā is a complex ethical virtue.
It has figured prominently and is given an enormous
significance in the religion of Jainism".
Nagarajarao P. 'Essays in Indian Philosophy and Religion'.
Lalvani Publishing House, Bombay, 1971, p.87.
202. See for details : Vādirāja, 'Pāṣaṇḍamatakhaṇḍana'
Rāmatatva Prakāśana, Belgaum, (Undated)
203. कर्ता सर्वस्य कार्यस्य कस्मादीशो विसृज्यते ॥
Y.M, G.S, p.37b, Śl.244.
204. The Svabhāvavāda of Buddhists appears as^{not} the original
conception of their school. The root of its origin would
be seen in materialism.
See: "Except the materialists (the Svabhāvavādins) who advocated
the chance-origin of things,".
Murthi T.V.R, 'The central philosophy of Buddhism'
Georgre Allen and Unwin Ltd, London, 1960, p.167. ...

नन्ववृष्टानिष्टौ जगद्वैचित्र्यमाकस्मिकं स्यादित्येत् -

न तदभद्रम् । स्वभावादेव तदुपपत्तेः ।

तदुक्तं - वद्विन्नरूपो जलं शीतं समस्पर्शस्तथानिलाः ।

तेनेदं चित्रितं तस्मात् स्वभावात् तद्व्यवस्थितिः ।

Visnumūrtibhaṭṭa G. Sāyaṇamādhava. 'Sarvadarśanasamgraha'
p.16 & 17.

205. The conception 'Svabhāva' is, as not an original idea of Buddhism, also not exclusively related to Buddhism. The school of Jainism also talks of this:

See: " The things according to him, have their own nature - a fact which is ultimate and does not admit of question or explanation - and that nature is not caused by adṛṣṭa. Fire burns because it has got the nature of burning. We cannot say that fire burns because of adṛṣṭa is there. It burns of itself.

Mehtā, Mohanlal - 'Outlines of Jaina Philosophy', Jaina Mission Society, Bangalore, 1954, p.59.

But it is true that, the conception 'Svabhāva' gained perfect shape in the hands of Buddhists.

See: (i) स यस्यास्ति साध्यधर्मस्यावयवे समुदायो-

पचारात् तस्मिन् । "स्वभावो हेतुः" । साध्यधर्मश्रुतत्वात् तस्यैव स्वभाव इति गम्यते ।

Sanghavi & Jinavijayaji, 'Hetubindutīkā of Bhaṭṭa Arcata'. Oriental Institute, Baroda, 1949, p.57.

- (ii) Svabhāva (sk), As applied cosmically 'the own nature' basic substance of the universal Mūlaprakṛti or root essence. Thus, equating with Tathatā (q.r.). At human level, it equates with Ātman, 'Svabhāvakāya' own nature body', equates with Dharmakāya (q.r.) Christomas H. 'A popular dictionary of Buddhism' Curzon Press, London, 1976, Pp.190 & 191.

206. स्वभावादेव तदुपपत्तेः ।
 स्वभावात् तद्व्यवस्थितिः ।
 Visnumurtibhat G. Sāyanamādhava, Sarvadarśanasamgraha p.17.
207. स्वभावादेव सर्वं च जगत्स्यात्सचराचरं ।

 स्वभावोपि जडश्चेत्स्यादन्यप्रेयो घटादिवत् ।
 Y.M., G.S, p.37b, Śloka, 245, 246.
 प्रवृत्तिहेतुभूत ज्ञानेच्छाधभावात् ।
 Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M., G.S, p.37.
208. स्वातन्त्र्ये तु किमीशेनापराद्धं लघुमूर्तिना ।
 Y.M., p.37, Śl.247.
 Jada, Jīva and the Lord
 Jada is Acetana and Paratantra
 Jīva is Cetana and Paratantra
 The Lord is Cetana and Svatantra
209. महिम्नमहीधरादेश्च यः कर्ता समेश्वरः ।
 Y.M., G.S, p.38b, Śl.249.
 अस्मदादीनां अस्वातन्त्र्येण अस्मत्प्रेरणकर्तृत्वेनापि
 ईश्वरस्य अंगीकार्यत्वाच्च ।
 Bh.Vi, com.on Y.M., G.S, p.38b.
210. सर्वस्य कर्ता तत्रापि किं न कर्ता महेश्वरः ।
 यस्तंभसम्भवो डिम्भं हिरण्यकशिपोरपात् ।
 सोन्तर्यामी ममस्वामी कस्य नस्याद्विचारय ॥
 Y.M., G.S, p.39b, Śloka, 256 & 257.
211. अदृष्टमीश्वरादेवेत्यासीत्सर्वधुरंधरः ।
 Ibid: p.40b, Śl.264.
212. पक्षसमानीमानि यत्कार्यं तत्कर्तुं इत्यस्मदुक्तव्याप्तेः
 न व्यभिचारस्थलानि इति भावः ।
 Bh.Vi.Com.on Y.M., G.S, p.40.

213. Cf: "The soul has been said to be the possession of material Karmas. The characteristic is meant to refute a two-fold belief. First, it attacks those philosophers who do not regard Karma or adr̥ṣṭa as a valid existence, (The Cārvākas of Indian thought fall into this category) Secondly, the adjective 'material' is directed against those thinkers, who do not regard Karma or adr̥ṣṭa as 'material'".

Mehta, Mohanlal, 'Outlines of Jaina Philosophy', p.61.

See also: Walther, Schubring 'The doctrine of Jains'

Motilal Banārasidass, 1978, Pp.172 & 173.

214. Cf: धर्मं जैमि निरत एव । Br.Sū. III-ii-41.

यतः फलं तदेव कर्मेश्वराद् भवति । *एष ह्येष साधुकर्म

कारयति इति श्रुतेरिति जैमिनिः ।

Madhva, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, p.144.

215. नरेषु कश्चिन्मूकोऽस्ति वाचालोऽप्यस्तिकश्चन ।

सोऽयं नरस्वभावो न तवापि च ममापि च ॥

Y.M., G.S, p.41b, Śl.271

216. कर्मापि चेद्गतं तर्हि स्वभावाद्ध्युपसर्पणं ।

Ibid. p.41, Śl.272.

217. स्वभावकालकमदिः सर्वस्यास्यनियामकं ।

Ibid., p.42b Śl.279.

Cf: द्रव्यं कर्मच कालश्च स्वभावो जीव एव च ।

यदनुग्रहतः सन्ति न सन्ति यदुपेक्षया ॥

Madhva, Anuvyākhyāna, p.2, Śl.13.

218. Hiriyanna M., 'The essentials of Indian philosophy',

George Allen and Unwin (India) Private Limited, Bombay, 1973, p.98

219. "The Sākṣī is an intelligent and conscious perceiver - 'It is the Sākṣī that is capable of comprehending both the knowledge and its validity'.
 Dāsagupta, S. 'A History of Indian Philosophy',
 Motilal Banarasiidass Delhi, 1975, vol.IV. p.168.
 See also:
 "Madhva finds such an ultimate and absolute principle of knowledge and validation, in the inner sense(organ) of the self of man-his "Svarūpendriyam" which he calls Sākṣī, and which is "Jñānāgrāhaka" and also "Jñānaprāmānyagrāhaka" (intuting knowledge and its validity)".
 Sharma, B.N.K, 'Philosophy of Sri Madhvacarya'
 Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Bombay, 1962, p.108. "Sākṣī is given the highest place in the Dvaita epistemology. Even to prove the validity of Pramāṇas Sākṣī is essential. Without Sākṣī it would not be possible to prove the essential validity of any Pramāṇa on which depends the validity of all knowledge."
 Shanbhag D.N, 'Some problems in Dvaita Philosophy in their dialectical setting! Srī Rāma Prakāśana, Dharwad, 1982, Pp.67 & 68.
220. Dāsagupta S. 'A History of Indian Philosophy' Vol.IV, p.168.
 दोषाद्यप्रतिरुद्धेन ज्ञानग्राहकसाक्षिणा ।
 स्वतस्त्वं ज्ञानमानत्वनिर्णीतिनिष्पत्तिरिति हि नः ॥
 Y.M., G.S, p.47, ŚL.371.
221. अभयं परतः एवेति नैयायिकादयः ।
 Pancamukhī R.S, 'Pramāṇa Paddhati by Srī Jayatīrtha! p.161.
222. नैयायिकमते प्रामाण्याप्रामाण्ययोरुत्पत्तिरज्ञप्त्योः परतस्त्वमुपपादयति ।
 Pancamukhī R.S., 'Janārdanabhattacha, Jayatīrthavijaya ,
 Com.on.Pramāṇa Paddhati' p.163.

223. ज्ञानजनकातिरिक्तकारणजन्यत्वमुत्पत्तौ स्वतस्त्वम् ।
 ज्ञानज्ञापकातिरिक्तप्रमाणपक्षत्वं ज्ञप्तौ स्वप्तस्त्वम् ।
 तत्र ज्ञानं इन्द्रियादि जन्यं प्रामाण्यं पुनरिन्द्रियादिगुणजन्यम् । - - -
 एवं ज्ञानं मानसप्रत्यक्षवेद्यम् ।
 Panchamukhi R.S. 'Pramāṇa Paddhati' of Sri Jayatīrtha,
 Pp.161 & 162.

224. प्रामाण्यं स्वतः, अप्रामाण्यं परतः इति मीमांसकाः ।
 Kevalananda sarasvati 'Mīmāṃsākośa' Prājnapāthasāla
 Maṇḍala grantha mala, Wai (Surat), 1960, Part V, p.2856.

225. मायावादिनो वेदान्तिनस्तु दोषाभावे सति यावत्स्वाश्रयग्राहकसामग्रीग्राह्यत्वं
 स्वतस्त्वम् । यद्वा यावत्स्वाश्रयग्राहकग्राह्ययोग्यत्वं स्वतस्त्वं इत्याहुः ।
 एतन्मते प्रमात्वं स्वत एवोत्पद्यते ज्ञायते । तथाहि । प्रमात्वं
 ज्ञानसामान्यसामग्री प्रयोज्यम् । - - - - अस्मिन् मते स्वतो
 ग्राह्यत्वं च दोषाभावे सति यावत्स्वाश्रयग्राहकसामग्रीग्राह्यत्वम् ।
 §वेदान्तपरिभाषा §अनुपलब्धि परि. §

Jhalakikar Bhimacarya, Nyāyakośa B.O.R.I.Poona 1978, p.561.

अप्रामाण्यं तु न ज्ञानसामान्यसामग्रीप्रयोज्यम्
 प्रामाण्यमत्यप्रामाण्यापत्तेः । किंतु दोषप्रयोज्यम् ।
 Joshi., Vedāntaparibhāṣā of Śrīdharmarājadhvarindra.,
 Akhil Bhārat Sanskrit Parishat, Lucknow, Vikram Saka,
 2021 p,242.

225.A. In the Advaita, the problem of validity and invalidity,
 really, speaking, has no concrete scope and appropriate
 application. Because, to gain the validity of knowledge,
 the knowledge, the object of knowledge the relation and
 means there of must be true. But in the Advaita, Brahman
 alone is read, though It is real, It is not an object of
 knowledge.

ज्ञेयं ब्रह्म "ज्ञेयं प्रवक्ष्यामि" इति अननुरूपमुक्तम् ।
वाचोऽगोचरत्वात् ।

Śaṅkara, Gītābhāṣya, 1942 XIII-12, p.181.

And other than Brahman everything is unreal.

.....मनसैव इदं ब्रह्मैकरसं आप्तव्यं आत्मैव नान्यदस्तीति ।
Katha Up.Bhā.IV.11.

So, Ultimately, there is nothing in the Advaita, to be an object of knowledge. Hence, validity has no meaning.

And, even if empirical reality is talked of, it is not possible to admit the theory of validity since, the very reality is the product of nescience. (Ajñāna-Avidyā) which is also Mithyā (having no existence in all the three times). And it cannot be contended that the knowledge and other dealings are positively possible due to Adhyāsa of Avidyā. Because Avidyā and its Adhyāsa is Mithyā.

तमेतमविद्याख्यं आत्मानात्मनोरितरेतराध्यासं पुरस्कृत्य
सर्वे प्रमाणप्रमेयव्यवहाराः लौकिका वैदिकाश्च प्रवृत्ताः ।
एवमयमनादिरनन्तः नैसर्गिकोऽध्यासः
मिथ्याप्रत्ययरूपः कर्तृत्वभोक्तृत्वप्रवर्तकः सर्वलोकप्रत्यक्षः ॥

Adhyāsa, Bhā,

Saṭsāstri, Śaṅkara, BrahmasūtraBhāṣya Vol.1, Pp.15 & 18,

226. एवं च विषयनिष्ठज्ञाततया तन्निष्ठमेव ज्ञानं अनुमीयते
"घटो ज्ञानवान्" ज्ञाततावत्त्वात् इति ।
तत्र घटत्वनिष्ठप्रकारतानिरूपितविशेष्यतासंबन्धेन
ज्ञानानुमितौ तादृशप्रकारतानिरूपितविशेष्यता-
रूपप्रामाण्यग्रहः ।

Kevalanandasarasvati 'Mīmamsākośah' Vol.5, p.2858,

227. अप्रामाण्यं तु नास्त्येवेति प्रामाकराः ।

Pañcamukhi R.S, 'Prāmāṇa Paddhati' by Sri Jayatīrtha p.162.

228. प्रामाण्यं अप्रामाण्यं च ज्ञानस्य उभयं स्वतः इति सांख्याः ।
 Kevalānandasarasvatī; 'Mīmāṃsā Kośa' Part V. p.2856,
 सांख्यमते प्रामाण्याप्रामाण्ये ।
 निजशक्त्यभिव्यक्तेः स्वतः प्रामाण्यम् ।
 स्वभावस्यानप्रायित्वादननुष्ठानलक्षणमप्रामाण्यम् ।
 Bhaṭṭācārya R. 'Sāmkhyasūtram with Bhāṣya of Vijnānabhikṣu'
 Bhāratīya Vidyā Prakāśana, Varanāsi, 1977 Pp.17 & 185.
229. ज्ञानजनकातिरिक्तजनकानपेक्षत्वमुत्पत्तौ स्वतस्त्वम् ।
 ज्ञानज्ञापकातिरिक्तज्ञापकानपेक्षं ज्ञप्ती स्वतस्त्वम् ॥
 Pañcamukhi R.S. 'Pramāṇa Paddhātī of Śrī Jayatīrtha p.161.
230. तदा तज्ज्ञानं गृह्यतः साक्षिणः तत्र ज्ञानयाथार्थ्यगृहे
 महानागृहो नियम इत्यर्थः ।
 Bh.VI. com.on Y.M. p.48.
 गृहणेज्ञान याथार्थ्यगृहे तस्यागृहो महान् ।
 Y.M., G.S, p.48, Ś.318.
231. तथा प्रामाण्यं तददोषजन्यम् ।
 Pañcamukhi R.S, 'Pramāṇa Paddhātī by Śrī Jayatīrtha, p.162.
- 231A. तदा सामान्यसामाग्रीमात्रं जन्याप्रमामम् ।
 सर्वाप्यभूतस्त्वतस्त्वेन केन बाह्यानिरूप्यतां ॥
 Y.M, G.S, p.69b, Ś.445.
232. Cf: The raison d'etre of attributing to Saksi-Pratyaksa
 absolute infallibility and self-validation, which is denied
 in respect of ordinary perceptions of the mind and the
 sense, is that the mind is liable to err and is open to
 doubt, albeit rarely; whereas, the judgements of the Saksi
 could not be doubted and have never been shown to have
 been in the wrong and invalidated at any time in life.
 Sharma B.N.K, 'Philosophy of Śrī Madhvācārya' p.108.

233. यदर्थनिश्चयाश्वासः प्रामाण्यस्य निनिश्चये ।
 अनवस्था तर्हि सुस्था निश्चयानु प्रवृत्तिषु ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.57, Śl.374.
 यदि प्रामाण्यनिश्चये सति ... अर्थनिश्चयाश्वास
 इति संबन्धः । । तर्हि ज्ञानस्यप्रामाण्य निश्चय-
 रूपायामनुमितावप्यर्थनिश्चयाश्वासः तत्प्रामाण्य विनि-
 श्चयरूपाऽनुमित्यंतरादेव । तत्रापि तथैत्यनवस्था स्या-
 दित्यर्थः । । तत्तदर्थनिश्चयार्थं तत्तज्ज्ञान प्रामाण्य-
 निश्चयानुसारणेऽनवस्था सुस्थेत्यर्थः ।
Bh.Vi. com.on.Y.M., G.S., p.57 & 58b.
234. काचादिदोषं चैकत्र तत्कार्यानुमितं पुनः ।
 यदान्यत्रानुसंधत्ते ज्ञानमात्रगृहीतदा ।
 विषयिपिदूरत्वपूर्वदोषानुदर्शनात् ।
 उदास्ते चतुरस्ताक्षी प्रामाण्यगृहणे किल ॥
Y.M., G.S., p. 48b, Ślokas, 315 & 316.
235. तत्रप्रामाण्यमप्रामाण्यं च संवादविसंवादलिङ्गम्यमिति ।
Pāncamukhi R.S., Pramāṇa Paddhati by Śrī Jayatīrtha p.162.
236. तदा रागादिदोषेण कलुषं चंचलं मनः ।
 गृहीति तत्र प्रामाण्यमर्थगृहण कातरं ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.48b, Śl.317.
237. समीपस्थ पदार्थानां चक्षुरादीन्द्रियैश्शुभैः ।
 गृहणे ज्ञानयाथार्थ्यगृहे तस्यागृहो महान् ॥
Ibid, p.48, Śl.318.
238. See:
Madhva, Visnutatvanirnaya, p.155.
 ० अन्यथेति - प्रामाण्यं तावदवश्यं केनचित्प्रमाणेन ज्ञातव्यम् ।
 अन्यथा तदभावः प्रामाण्याभावः प्रसंगात् । न च ज्ञानग्राहकातिरिक्तेन -
 तद्गृहणं सम्भवति । तत्प्रामाण्यस्याप्यन्येन
 गृहणाङ्गीकारे अनवस्थानात् ।

Jayatīrtha, com. on Visnutatvanirnaya A.B.M.M.M, B'lore
 1969, p.155.

अवस्था - ॥क॥ क्लृप्तवस्तुसजातीयवस्तुपरंपराकल्पनस्य
विरामाभावः । ॥ख॥ अव्यवस्थितपरंपराधीनोनिष्ठप्रसंगः ।
Jhalakikar Bhīmācārya, Nyāyakośa , p.19 & 20.

239. Cf: "Freedom from defect and contradiction is sufficient to account for the rise of valid knowledge. If the validity of knowledge is due to an external condition like some excellence in the causes of knowledge or correspondance or fruitful activity, then this second knowledge of excellence or correspondance or fruitful activities would require third knowledge to validate itself before it can validate the first knowledge and so on ad-infinitum."
Sharma, C.D., 'A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy' p.215 & 216.
240. Ibid.
241. यदि व्याप्त्यादिदार्ढ्येनशङ्कांधिक्कुरुते भवान् ।
तर्हि निर्दोषतादादयस्साक्षीह क्षोभयेद्वितां ॥
Y.M, G.S, p.56, Śl.366.
242. सुखादिविषयं स्वरूपभूतं चैतन्येन्द्रियं साक्षीत्युच्यते ।
Jayatīrtha, Nyāyasudhā, II-i-p.87.
243. प्रामाण्यग्रहणेशक्तिस्साक्षिणस्त्वेन तेजसा ।
Ibid, p.52b, Śl.337.
244. परीक्षायेक्ष्यतेक्वापि तदभावे स्वयं पटुः ।
Ibid., p.52, Śl.338.
See also: Ibid, p.55b, Śl.353.

244A. उक्तावपि चक्षुः तस्मात्सर्वमस्वीरितं ।
 स्वतत्त्वं परतत्त्वं च तत्त्वं वित्त्वस्य साधकं ।
 Y.M.G.S, p.75b, Sl.483.
 प्रामाण्यस्य स्वतत्त्वमप्रामाण्यस्य परतत्त्वं ।
 Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M.,G.S,p.75b.

244B.If validity did not belong to knowledge, and if it were to be established by an objective reference to facts, then since that objective reference is also knowledge, and as such is invalid by itself, there should be some other means by which its validity could be determined, and this would lead to an infinite regress. For this reason it is to be admitted that knowledge, produced by any means of knowledge or Pramāṇa, must be regarded as valid by itself.
 Dasagupta, Surama: 'Development of Moral Philosophy in India', Orient Longmans Bombay, 1961, p.80.

244C. The real fact of the matter in this connection, is however, that self evidence seems to be too subjective to deserve to be regarded as a criterion of truth and so may be taken to be synonymous with 'no-evidence'. The way in which the advocates of the self-evidence theory of truth, including the Vedānta in particular, understands the criterion of falsity should then be regarded as a model to which the way of determining the criterion of truth should conform.
 Banerjee, N.V., 'The spirit of Indian Philosophy'
 Arnold - Heinemann Publishers (India) Private Limited, New Delhi, 1974, p.114.

244D. प्रतिबन्धकत्वम् - कारणीभूताभावप्रतियोगित्वम् । ॥कु.॥
। यथा वा दाहं प्रति मणेः प्रतिबन्धकत्वम् ।। एवं -
 मणिबन्धकाभावकूट एव कारणम् ।
 Jhalakikar Bhimacarya, Nyāyakośa, Pp.532 & 533.

245. ॐ स्फादि यदि सामग्रीसत्त्वेऽप्यभिमतं फलं ।
बुधैस्तदेव सर्वत्र प्रतिबन्धकमुच्यते ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.52, Śl.340.

246. अतो न कारणीभूताभावस्यप्रतियोगिता ।
प्रतिबन्धकता किन्तु पूर्वोक्तैवसतां मता ॥
Ibid, p.53, Śl.343.

247. दोषाभावानपेक्षैव तेषां यादृच्छिका प्रमा
...
दोषाभावस्तत्कुत्रापि न प्रमां प्रतिकारणं ।
Y.M., G.S., p.66, Śl.428 & 429.

248. In the Advaita, the way interpretation of Sruti passages and also the remarks summarising the importor jist in nutshell, denotes the contention of the Advaita, that the passages, imparting the right knowledge (knowledge identity) are Tattvavedakas and the Passages, imparting some tentative knowledge. (Knowledge difference, injunction etc) are Atattvavedakas. This view is clear from the original statements cited below:-

(i) दृष्टव्यादिशब्दा अपि परविद्याधिकारपठिताः

तत्त्वाभिमुखीकरणप्रधानाः, न तत्त्वावबोधविधि-

प्रधाना भवन्ति ।

Br.Sū.Bhā (Śaṅkara)(III-1i-21)

Saṭśāstri, Śaṅkara, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, Vol.2, p.753.

(ii) वाक्यजनितविज्ञानमात्रात् नाब्रह्मानात्मविज्ञान-

विवृत्तिः इति चेत् । न । "तत्त्वमसि", "नेतिनेति",

"आत्मैवेदं", "एकमेवाद्वितीयम्", "ब्रह्मैवेदममृतम्",

"नान्यदतोऽस्ति दृष्टिः", "तदेव ब्रह्मत्वं विद्धि"

इत्यादिवाक्यानां तद्वद्वित्त्वात् ।

Bṛih.Bhā.(Śaṅkara)(I-iv-7) Bhagawat R.R, Śaṅkara,
Bṛhadāraṇyakopaniṣad (Upaniṣadbhāṣyam) Astekar Com,
Poona, Salivahana Saka, 1840, p.143.

- (iii) अतः पार्थगर्थमेव उपासनावाक्यानां
ब्रह्मवाक्यानां च न्याय्यम्, नैकवाक्यत्वम् ।
Br.Sū.Bhā. (Sankara) III-11-21.
Śaṅsāstrī, Śāṅkara, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, Vol.2, p.732.
249. तस्मान्नित्यैव वेदाख्य विद्या विद्यावतां मते ।
नित्यायां च कथं द्वैतमद्वैतं किल ते प्रियम् ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.78, Śl.511.
250. तत्स्वतस्त्वेन सर्वत्र प्रामाण्यं गृह्यते श्रुतौ
...
अतत्त्वावेदकत्वोक्तिरसौ वेदे न शोभते ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.79b, Ślokas, 512 & 513.
251. कार्यताबोधकपदप्रतिपाद्याधार्मिककार्ययुक्तत्वम् ।
यथा प्रामाकर मीमांसकनये घटमानयेत्यादौ घटादि-
पदानामानयनादिरूप क्रियाविशिष्ट एव घटादौ शक्तिरित्यत्र
क्रियान्वितत्वम् । अन्विते शक्तिरिति तेषां मतम् ।
Jhalakīkar Bhīmācārya, ' Nyāyakośa' p.229.
See also; Madhva. Anuvyākhyāna p.4, Ślokas 42-45.
252. Dasagupta:s. ' A History of Indian Philosophy' Vol.1, p.396.
253. Cf: "Prabhakara takes a strictly pragmatic view of all
knowledge, knowledge leads to successful activity.
Action is the only import of knowledge ... All propositions
must be injunctive, All knowledge, whether Vedic or
Secular, points to activity. The so-called assertive and
explanatory propositions in the Veda are authoritative
only when they help persons to perform their duties".
Sharma, C.D., ' A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy' p.220.
254. अतस्तेनैव विधिना वाक्सर्वा मानतां व्रजेत् ।
Y.M., G.S., p.79, Śl.518.

255. तस्मादाचार्यतरणितरणिशोभतेतराम् ।

Ibid. Śl.519.

अपौरुषेयतया त्रिदोषि वेदे एकभागस्यातत्त्वावेदकत्त्वकथनमयुक्तम्।

Bh.Vi.Com.on Y.M,G.S,p.79.

256. एवं श्रुत्योर्विरोधेषु यावागन्यार्थवर्तिनी ।

तां तदस्मिन् कृत्वा मोचयेत्कलहं तयोः ॥

Y.M.,G.S, p.80b, Śl.522.

257. There are some Śruti passages called Aikyaśrutis by the Advaitins. That means, those passages that convey the sense of identity expressively such as 'Tattvamasi', 'Ātmaivedam', Ekamevādvitīyam and others.

258. Sāvakāśa means that which is limited or that which is constrained with limitations. Niravakāśa means that which is not constrained with any limitations. This view promises that Sāvakāśa passages are secondary and Niravakāśa as Primary.

सावकाशनिरवकाशयोर्निरवकाशो बलीयानितिन्यायः ।

संभवद्विषयान्तरः सावकाशः, अतथाभूतो निरवकाशः । तेन

निरवकाशेन सावकाशो विधिबध्यते ।

Kevalānandasarasvati, 'Mīmāṃsakośa' Part VII p.4312.

This type of view is found both in the Advaita and the Dvaita. But the application of these concepts with regard to Śruti passages differs in both. The Advaita declares that Aikyaśrutis are Niravakāśas and others are Sāvakāśas. (T.E.M) "तत्त्वमसि", "नेति नेति", "आत्मैवेदं", "एकमेवाद्वितीयम्" ... इत्यादिवाक्यानां तद्वादित्वात् ।

Brh.Bhā. I-4-7.

Saccidanandendrasarasvati, Bṛihadāraṇyakopaniṣad

(Upaniṣadbhāṣya Vol.4) Adhyatma Prakasa Karyalaya,

Holenārasipur, 1953, p.138.

अस्थूलमनण्वहृस्वमदीर्यम् (Bṛih.Up.-III-viii-87)

"अशब्दमस्पर्शमरूपमव्ययम्" (Kāṭha-Up.I-iii-5)

..... इत्येवमादीनि वाक्यानि निष्प्रपञ्च ब्रह्मात्म तत्त्वप्रधानानि
नार्थान्तरप्रधानानि इत्येतत् प्रतिष्ठापितं "तत्त्वमन्वयात्"(Br.Su.I-i-4)
इत्यत्र । इतराणि तु आकार वब्रह्मविषयाणि वाक्यानि
न तत्प्रधानानि । ... तेषु असति विरोधे यथा श्रुतमाश्रयितव्यम् ।
सति तु विरोधे तत्प्रधानानि अतत्प्रधानेभ्यो बलीयांसि भवन्ति ।

Ṣaṭśāstri, Śāṅkara, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya Vol.2,p.726.

Here Pradhāna means Nirvakāśa and Apradhāna means Sāvakāśa.

Where in the Dvaita, the so-called Aikyaśrūtis are
Sāvakāśas and others are Niravakāśas.

As there is no well-resoned ground or base for the
Advaita view, it is defective. Because, the Advaita
interpretation of so-called Aikyaśrūtis is contradictory
and is not in the confirmation with other passages of the
same context.

It is the Tatparyalingas such as Upakrama, Upasamhāra
and others, pertaining to a particular context, that are
responsible for understanding the correct import of the
passages. The Advaita does not take into account this.
The Advaita interpretes the passages individually and
independently, taking into consideration only the expressive
meaning of the passages and not the reference of contexts.
e.g. The context as a whole wherein the passage 'Tatvamasī'
occurs, really, speaking relates to sense of difference with
stock illustrations. But without understanding the nature
of ~~subtlety~~, depth and significance of these, the Advaita
concentrates on 'Tattvamasī' passage only and thus prefers
the sense of identity to difference.

If this is taken for granted, then it is not agreeable
to the core of context in its fitness and thus contradicts
with other passages of same context. Hence, Aikyaśrūtis
are Sāvakāśas that means they are to be interpreted in
accordance with other (Bheda) Śrūtis.

The view upheld by the Dvaita in this regard, as Aikyaśrutis are Sāvakāśas and Bheda srutis are Niravakāśas, is agreeable to the core of context.
See for details;

259. सादृश्यैक्ये स्थानमत्योरैक्ये व्याप्तैक्यपूर्वके ।
सावकाशैक्यवाग्भेदवास्तुस्वार्थपरायणा ।
Y.M., G.S., p.80b, Śl.524.

260. एकीभूतास्तु कुरव एकीभूतौ नृपाविमौ ।
ऐक्याद्वयस्य ऋभुमान् इत्याद्युक्तिर्विचार्यताम् ।
Ibid, Śl.525. श्रुतियोजना तु एकमेवाद्वितीयमित्यत्र एकं सर्वोत्तमं
सकलजीवजडात्मकात् प्रपंचादत्यन्तभिन्नमिति ।
Bh.Vi. Com. on Y.M., p.81b.

Here 'eka' means supreme, omniscient, entirely different from the world of sentient and insentient beings. Thus, here supremacy and difference is the meaning of the term 'aikya'.

261. एके मुख्यान्यकेवलाः ।
Sastri.Haragovinda, 'Amarkośa of Amarasimha'
The Chowkhamba Sanskrit Series, Varanasi 1970, p.546.
The derivative form of eka is Ekatva (Aikya) In the same way Mukhyatva, Anyatva and Kevalatva.

262. इत्याह भेद एवैक्यं मुख्यतावा ततो भवेत् ।
यदा तवैक्यशब्दोऽयं भेदं वक्तव्यखिलेशितः ।
वक्ति सर्वोत्तमत्वं वा प्रतिवक्ति कथंभवान् ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.80, Śl.527.

- 262A. नहि उपनिषद्भ्यो " ब्रह्मैकमेवाद्वितीयम्, नैवच"
इति प्रतिपत्तिरस्ति । Bṛih.Bhā.(Śaṅkara) II-1-20.
Bhagavata, R.R., Śaṅkara, 'Bṛihadāraṇyakopaniṣad,
(Upaṇiṣadbhāṣyam), p.216.
नहि शास्त्रं इदंतथा विषयभूतं ब्रह्म प्रतिपादयिषति,।
Br.Sū.Bhā.(Śaṅkara) I-1-4.
Ṣaṭśāstri, Śaṅkara, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, Vol.I, p.51.

263. "सत्त्वादयो न सन्तीति यत्र च प्राकृतागुणाः ।"

अतद्व्ययतया निर्गतः तत्संस्पर्शोऽपि अस्पृष्टः ।

हेयगुणरहितः ।

Cakravarthi, S.G., 'Sabdārthakaustubha, 1978, IV, p.1603.

263A. . गुणमृन्निर्गुणो महान् ।

गुणानानन्दादीन् बिभर्तीति गुणभृत् । गुणानप्रधानभूतजीवान् बिभर्ति ।

सत्त्वादिगुणरहितत्त्वान्निर्गुणः ।

Kalakoti K.G. Satyasandhayati, Srīviṣṇusahasranāmabhāṣyam
R Nagaraja Rao, Tiruchirapalli, 1972, p.98.

264. सत्त्वं रजस्तम इति गुणाः प्रकृतिसम्भवाः

Bhagavadgītā, XIV-5.

264A. The Nirguna-Sruti occurs in the Sixth Chapter of Svetāśvataropaniṣad. There, the com.of Śaṅkara of Nirguna term, does not convey explicitly the sense of negation of attributes in general. But it negates the qualities such as Sattva and others.

"साक्षी चेता केवलो निर्गुणश्च " । (Svet.Up.VI-11)

... सर्वेषां भूतानां साक्षी सर्वदृष्टा । " साक्षाददृष्टरि संज्ञायाम्"

॥ पा.सू.V-11-91 ॥ इतिस्मरणात् । चेता चेतयिता । केवलो

निरुपाधिकः । निर्गुणः सत्त्वादिगुणरहितः ।

Śaṅkara, Svetāśvataropaniṣad. Gītā press Gorakhpur,
Saka, 2016, p.246.

So the refutation of the Advaita interpretation of that Mantra may appear unusual and strange. Hence, it must be understood that the refutation aims not only at the connotative and expressive meaning of the com.of that Mantra, but the very Nirgunatva concept of the Advaita.

Sankara, commenting Viṣṇusahasranāma (Guṇabhṛt, Nirguṇa terms), makes it clear that Brahman, really speaking is attributless (i) He also states that the positive reference of qualities Sattva, Rajas and Tamas, is due to Māyā (form of Ajñāna) which is Upādhi for that. And, in the Advaita whatever is Sopādhika-product of Māyā, is Mithyā, (ii)

(i) गुणभृन्निर्गुणः - विष्णुसहस्रनामस्तोत्रम् । भाष्यम् ॥
सत्त्वरजस्तमसां सुषिटस्थितिलयकर्मस्वाधिष्ठातृत्वात् - गुणभृत् ।
वस्तुतो गुणाभावात् - निर्गुणः ।

विवृतिः ।

गुणः - रजस्तत्त्वं तम इत्येवं प्रसिद्धाः, तान् विभर्ति -
ब्रह्मविष्णुशिवरूपेणाभिमन्यते सुषिटस्थितिसंहारार्थमिति गुणभृदित्याह । ...।
परमार्थतो गुणाभावान्निर्गुणता गुणा यस्मात् सः निर्गुण इत्याह।

Ramasastri R.Sri Viṣṇusahasranamāstotram with com.
Oriental Research Institute, Mysore University, Mysore
1961, p.527.

(ii) निर्गुणः :- Cf. Gītābhāṣya (Śankara) XIII-13. & 14.

उपाधिकृतं मिथ्यारूपमप्यस्ति त्वाधिगमाय
ज्ञेयधर्मवत्परिकल्प्योच्यते ।

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उपाधिभूतपाणिपादादीन्द्रियाधारोपणाज्ज्ञेयस्य
तद्वत्ता शंका माऽभूदित्येवमर्थः ।

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अपि अन्तःकरणोपाधिद्वारेणैव श्रोत्रादीनामप्युपाधित्वमित्यतो -
न्तःकरण बहिष्करणोपाधि भूतैः सर्वेन्द्रियगुणैरध्यवसायसंकल्प श्रवणवचनादि-
भिरवभासत इति सर्वेन्द्रियगुणाभासं सर्वेन्द्रियव्यापारैर्व्यापृतमिव तज्ज्ञेयमित्यर्थः ।
सर्वेन्द्रियविवर्जितं सर्वकरणरहितमित्यर्थः । अतो न करणव्यापारैर्व्यापृतं
तज्ज्ञेयम् ।

...स्यादिदं चान्यज्ज्ञेयस्य सत्त्वाधिगमद्वारं-निर्गुण
सत्त्वरजस्तमांसि गुणास्तैर्वर्णितं तज्ज्ञेयं तथापि
गुणभोक्तृ च गुणानां सत्त्वरजस्तमसां शब्दादि-
द्वारेण सुखदुःखमोहाकारपरिणतानां भोक्तृ
योपलब्धु तज्ज्ञेयमित्यर्थः ।

Śaṅkara. Gītābhāṣya 1942 Pp.183 & 184.

Therefore, it is to be noted that Vādirāja, taking the Nirgunatva view (Qualitylessness) of the Advaitins in consideration, has refuted it.

265. एवं निर्गुणवाक्यं च सामान्यवचनत्वतः ।
दोषरूपगुणाभावं परं कर्तुं हि शक्यते ॥
Y.M.G.S, P.81b, Śl.528.

266. Bṛih.Up. IV-iv-22.

267. अतस्सामान्यतो यत्तु निषेधवचनं श्रुतौ ।
विशेषवाक्यविहितं न हितत्प्रतिषेधति ॥
Y.M.G.S, p.81, Śl.531.

अतः एषस्त्वैश्वर इत्यादि विशिष्यविधायकवाक्यात्
निर्गुण इति सामान्यतो गुणनिषेधकनिर्गुणवाक्यमेव दुर्बलम् ।
Bh.Vi. Com.on.Y.M.G.S, p.81.

268. Kevalanandasaraswati, 'Mīmāṃsākoṣa' Vol.IV, p.2294.

269. योसौ निर्गुणइत्युक्तशस्त्रेषु जगदीश्वरः ।
प्राकृतैर्हेयसंयुक्तैर्गुणैर्हीनत्वमुच्यते ।
इति पादमेवयस्त्रिशांष्ट्याये रुद्रस्य वागियं ॥
Y.M.G.S, p.81, Śl.532.

270. भेदवाग्भेदमेव हि ।
Ibid. p.82b, Śl.535.

271. नारायणः परं ब्रह्म नान्यद्ब्रह्म ततः परम्
 ...स स्वनिर्गुण ब्रह्मेत्युक्तः, सदगुणबुद्धितः ॥
Y.M.G.S, p.82b, 537 & 538.
 Cf: गुणा नारा इति ज्ञेयास्तद्वान्नारायणः स्मृतः ।
 ब्रह्मशब्दो हि गुणपूर्तिमिव वदस्ययम् ॥
Madhva, Anuvyākhyāna.p.7.
272. त स्वान्वयनामानस्तै सम्यक् प्रविचारिते ।
 मुख्यार्थो भगवान् विष्णुः सर्वशास्त्रस्य नापरः ॥
Madhva; Anuvyākhyāna, p.10 & 11.
- 272A. Rgveda X-90-9.
273. ब्रह्मधर्मानिमान्सर्वान् यस्मिन्नारायणे श्रुतिः ।
 सहस्रशीर्ष्णिपुरुषे तन्नाम्नैव पुनः पुनः ॥
 आम्नाते संकलययाह महातात्पर्यपूर्वकं ।
 स एव हि परं ब्रह्म लक्ष्यलक्षण वेदिनां ॥
Y.M.G.S, p.83b, Slokas 548 & 549.
 यस्तु प्रस्तावितः पूर्वं आत्मानारायणः परः ।
 परमात्मेति चात्रोक्तः स एव त्यान्नसंशयः ।
Ibid, p.84b, Sl.556.
274. अतश्श्रुत्यर्थमीमांसानिपुणानां विवेकिनां ।
 मते नारायणो देवः परं ब्रह्म न चापरः ॥
Ibid, p.84, Sl.560.
275.उपनिषद्दानामनियतपदत्वेन अनिर्गुणइत्येव पदच्छेदस्य सुकरत्वात्।
 सत्यनित्यगुणानां निर्गुण इति निषेधायोगात् अनिर्गुण
 इति पदच्छेदः कर्तव्य इति भावः ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M.G.S, p.86, & 87b.
276. तदुक्तगुणसत्यत्वनित्यत्वे नौपचारिके ।
Y.M., G.S, p.87b, Sl.579.

277. Dasagupta S. ' A History of Indian Philosophy'
Vol.1, p.317.

278. -समान प्रसवात्मिका जातिः । II-ii-68
-समानः समानाकारकः प्रसवो बुद्धिजननमात्मा स्वरूपं
यस्याः सा । तथा च समानाकारबुद्धिजननयोग्यत्वमित्यर्थः ।
गौ. वृ. - II-ii-68.
-समानाकारबुद्धिजननयोग्यधर्मविशेषः नित्यानेकसमवेतः
इत्यपि वदन्ति गौ.वृ. II-ii-68.
-नित्यत्वे सत्यनेकसमवेतम् ।
सामान्यं नित्यमेकं स्यादनेकसमवायि । § ता.र.53 §

Jhalakikar.Bhimacarya Nyāyakośa, Pp.291 & 1009.

तत्र द्रव्यादित्रितयस्य द्रव्यत्वादिजातिलक्षणम् । Viṣṇumurtikhat G.,
Sāyaṇamādhava. Sarvadarsanasaṃgraha of Sāyana, Vo..II, p.9.

279. Cf: " The Nyāya-Vaiśeṣikas enunciate the realistic
theory of universal. According to them, Universals are
external (nitya) entities which are distinct from, but
inhare in, many individuals (anekānugata). There is the
same (eka) universal in all the individuals of a class.
The universal is the basic notion of sameness that we
have with regard to all the individuals of a certain class".
Chatterji & Datta, 'An Introduction to Indian Philosophy'
p.241.

280. व्यवहारादनुगतात्सर्वत्रानुगता सदा ।
जातिश्चैकाखिलार्थेषु सत्तायावर्तते किल ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.88b, Śl.587.

281. व्यवहारानुगमनं नाम तस्यैकता किमु ।
उत तस्यैकधर्मेणावाच्छन्नत्वमुदीर्यते ।
एकाकारत्वमथवा वक्तव्यं नापरंहितम् ।
Ibid, Ślokas 588 & 589.

282. नानासमानव्यवहारेण धर्मोपि तादृशः ।
 सिद्धयेत्परं तस्य सर्वत्रैकता किंकृता वद ॥
 यक्षानुरूपोहि बलिः प्राचावाचमनुस्मर ॥
Ibid, p.88, Ślokas, 591 & 592.
283. अखण्डजातेरेकैको यद्यंशो व्यक्तिषूच्यते ।
 घटास्तर्हिघटांशाःस्युर्धटस्तुस्यान्नकश्चन ॥
Ibid, Śl.593.
284. अनेकव्यंजकव्यंग्या यथैकाजातिरुच्यते ।
 तथा नेकघटत्वेभ्यो वागेकैवप्रवर्ततां ॥
Ibid, Śl.596.
285. कारणत्वान्यनेकानि तत्रतत्रतवापि च ।
 तदवच्छेदकस्यापि कथं न स्यादनेकता ॥
Ibid, p.89b, Śl.598.
286. धर्माणामपृथक्त्वं च सिद्धेदेव मम प्रभो ।
Y.M., G.S.p.92b, Śl.617.
 किं चेयं श्रुतिरेवादौ नेहनास्ति किंचन ।
 इत्यादिना भिदामेनां निषेधति पदे पदे ॥
Ibid, p.91 Śl.621.
287. Really speaking, in the Advaita, Brahman is quality-less and hence the question of either negating the difference or accepting it does not arise. But, here the contention of Vādirāja, is to tackle and show the futility of the application of the view of non-difference (identity) of the Advaita.
288. इति मन्यामहे तस्माद्वर्मा धर्म्यात्मिकाः प्रभोः ।
Y.M., G.S., p.91, Śl.622.

289. ... एवं अवयवावयविनोः गुणगुणिणोः क्रियाक्रियावतो-
रपि भेदाभेदोऽनुसंधेयः ।
Kevalanandasarasvati. Mīmāṃsākoṣa, VI.p.3072.

- 289.A. The term Mithyātvā is understood differently by different
followers: See: कालासंबन्धित्वम् । यथा शष्पाविषाणकूर्मरोमवन्ध्या-
पुत्रादीनां मिथ्यात्वम् । तुच्छत्वम् इति माध्वाः प्राहुः ।
निरुपाख्यत्वं ॥ निस्तस्वरूपत्वम् ॥ इति बौध्दा प्राहुः ।
बाधज्ञाननिवर्तित्वम् । ।
Jhalakikar Bhimacarya, Nyāyakosa, p.653.
- मिथ्यात्वं च स्वाश्रयत्वेनाभिमतयावन्निष्ठात्यन्ता-
भावप्रतियोगित्वम् । ...
तदुक्तम् -

"सर्वेषामपिभावानां स्वाश्रयत्वेन संमते ।
प्रतियोगित्वमत्यन्ताभावं प्रति मृषात्मता ॥ इति.

Sāstri S.S.S. 'The Adyar Library and Research Centre,
Madras, 1971, p.58.

See also: Gitsukha defines falsity as the non-existence
of a thing in that which is considered to be its cause.

Dasagupta S. 'A History of Indian Philosophy' Vol.II, p.152.

290. यदि वाक्योदिताद्वैतादेव तद्गुणमोचनं ।
तदान्योन्याश्रयो दोषो वाक्यमर्थान्तरेनयेत् ।
Y.M.G.S, p.92b. Śl.627.
291. सत्यनित्यगुणत्यागः सर्वथा नोपपद्यते ।
Ibid, Śl.628.
292. न चेच्छून्योक्तिबलतः सत्यं ब्रह्मैव संत्यज ।
Ibid, Śl.629.

293. According to the Advaita, Sattā or existential reality is of three kinds. Prātibhāsika, Vyāvahārika and Pāramārthika. The appearance of silver in the conch-shell is Prātibhāsikasatya since the very next movement, silver would not be there. And that which appears for a longer time and is treated as Satya is called Vyāvahārikasatya. So the world is treated as Vyāvahārikasatya. Lastly, the Entity, subjected to our cognition, as constantly present without change, is Pāramārthikasatya. Brahman is Pāramārthikasatya.
त्रिविधं सत्त्वं, परमार्थसत्त्वम् ब्रह्मणः । अर्थक्रियासामर्थ्यं सत्त्वं
मायोपाधिकमाकाशादेः । अविधोपाधिकं सत्त्वं रजतादेः ।

Viṣṇumūrtibhat G. Sarvadarśanasamgraha of Sāyana,
Vol.2, p.328.

294. अतोभ्यर्थः स एवार्थो यत्रवाग्द्वंद्वमानता ॥
Y.M.G.S, p.92, Śl.632.
295. स्वाभाविकी ज्ञानबल क्रियाचेत्याह हि श्रुतिः ।
(श्रुतिः- Śwte.Up.6.8).
Y.M.G.S, p.92, Śl.634.
296. See for details; Athalye & Bodas, Annambhatta, Bombay
Sanskrit Series, No.LV,1963, Pp.17 & 157.
297. एकत्रधर्मिणो नाशोन्यत्र धर्मान्तरं किल ।
Y.M., G.S, p.92, Śl.635.
298. अतस्तद्वपसौन्दर्यशौर्यैर्यपराक्रमाः ।
स्वातन्त्र्यवशितेशत्वपूर्वास्तिर्गुणा ध्रुवाः ॥
Ibid, P.92, b, Śl.639.

299. सति धर्मिणि धर्माणां असत्त्वं तु न कुत्रचित् ।
Ibid., Śl.603.
300. प्रायशः सर्वत्र धर्माणां धर्मसत्तासमान सत्ताकत्वस्त्रियमदर्शनात्
 ब्रह्मधर्माणामपि ब्रह्मसत्तासमानसत्ताकत्वं स्यात् ।
Bh.Vi.Com.on.Y.M.,G.S., p.93.
 अतस्तत्त्वात्मधर्माश्च सत्त्वास्त्युनत्र संशयः ।
Y.M., G.S., p.93, Śl.645.
301. अतस्त्वाभाविकधर्माणां धर्म्यनाशेऽनाशदर्शनात् ।
 अतस्त्वाभाविका धर्माः नश्येरन् धर्मिणः क्षये ॥
Ibid, Śl.649.
302. श्रुतौ स्मृतौ च कीर्त्यन्ते धर्माः स्वाभाविकाः हरेः ।
 सत्त्वा नित्या स्वभावाश्च ये धर्मास्ते न मायिकाः ॥
Ibid, p.94b Śl.650
303. मायावादि वेदान्तिनस्तु मिथ्याबुद्धिहेतुभूतमज्ञानं माया ।
 तज्याज्ञानं द्वयोरोपाधि ।
 Q.Jhalakikar Bhimacarya, 'Nyāyakosā'.
 अनिर्वचनीयत्वं तत्त्वाभासप्रतिबन्धकत्वादिलक्षणजातस्य
 मायाविध्योः समानत्वात् ।

Māyā means Ajñāna. According to the Advaita, Ajñāna appears in two garbs; Māyā and Avidyā. Māyā applies to Brahman and Avidyā to Jīva. (in essence both are same) And this Ajñāna (Māyā) is not real, not unreal but it is inexplicable. It veils or covers the nature of Brahman, for which it is supposed to be qualified as creator etc. But in reality it is unqualified. The Advaitin holds that attributes of Brahman are Māyika, i.e., products of Māyā. When the true knowledge gained by studying Śāstras, Māyā (Ajñāna) gets removed, then realizing identity, Brahman would be known as attributeless. See for further details: Sharma C.D, 'A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy Pp.273 to 279.

304. नानातु विद्या चाविद्या च । (Chā.Up.I-1-10)
क्षरं त्वविद्या ह्यमृतं तु विद्या । Śwet.Up.1.
305. सत्यात्वाच्च स्वभावत्वान्नित्यत्वात् ब्रह्मवत् सदा ।
अमायिका ब्रह्मधर्मा इति स्यादनुमापि नः ।
Y.M.,G.S, p.94b, Śl.652.
306. जडेष्वासंभावितास्स्युः मायोपाध्या हि ताः कथम् ।
Ibid, Śl.654.
307. न यस्यमायागुणचित्तवृत्तिभिः निरीक्षितोदयण्वपि दृष्टिरिज्यते ।.....।
Bhāgavata.. V-xvii-19.
308. स्वाभाविका भवेयुर्हि तदभावः कदा वद ।
Y.M.,G.S, p.94, Śl.656.
309. एवं च प्रतिबिम्बभूवजीवगुणानां कथंचिदोपाधिकत्वप्राप्तावपि
बिम्बभूतब्रह्मगुणानां स्वाभाविकत्वमेव न्याय्यम् ।
Bh.Vi. com.on.Y.M.,G.S, p.94.
किंचोपाधिर्बिम्बमेव प्रतिबिम्बस्यशोभते ।
Y.M.,G.S, p.94, Śl.657.
310. प्रतिबिम्बस्य सर्वस्य यदिबिम्बं ब्रह्म तद्विमे ।
तच्च सत्यं नित्यं निर्गुणं स्यात्कदाचन ॥
Ibid, p.95b, Śl.660.
311. Giving an example of such kind, in this context,
is not to prove the unreality and non-eternity of the
world created by the Lord like the magic things created
by a magician. But, the aim is to prove the 'Svābhāvikatva'
to the attributes of the Lord.

312. अतो गुणत्यागावसराभावात् परोदितं ब्रह्म निर्गुणं ब्रह्म
अनवसरदुस्थं अश्रौतं च । स्वाभाविकसार्वज्ञादिगुणनिषेधयोगेन
निर्गुणश्रुत्यापि सत्त्वादि गुणनिषेध मुखेन समुणस्यैव प्रतिपादनीयत्वात्
प्रतिपादकश्रुतिशून्यं चाभूत् ।
Bh.Vi. com.on.Y.M.G.S, p.96.
313. सर्वस्याधारता सर्वव्यापिता केशवस्य चेत् ।
अन्यब्रह्म किमर्थं ते व्यथेत्वादपि तदगतम् ॥
Y.M.,G.S, p.96, Śl.676.
314. Chā.Up.VI-ii-1.
315. सर्वव्यापित्वाद्विष्णुः विष्णुव्याप्तावितिधातोः ।
Kalakoti K.G., 'Viṣṇusahasranāmabhāṣyam of Śrī Satya-
sandhatīrtha', R.Nāgarajarao, Tiruchirapalli,1972, p.2.
316. अतः सगुणस्यनिर्गुणतायोगात् अन्यत् सगुणात् निर्गुणं
सर्वधर्मशून्यरूपं वाच्यम् ।
Bh.Vi. com.on.Y.M., G.S, p.97.
अतोऽन्यनिर्गुणं वाच्यं तदा ब्रह्मद्विधा न किम् ।
Y.M.,G.S., p.97b Śl.680.
317. विष्णोरन्यत्परंब्रह्म कोविद्वान् वक्तुमर्हति ।
Ibid, p.97, Śl.681.
318. नास्ति नारायणसमं न भूतं न भविष्यति ।
एतेन सत्यवाक्येन सर्वार्थान् साधयाम्यहम् ॥
Q.Y.M.,G.S, p.97, Śl.682.
नारायणसमं न भूतं नास्ति न भविष्यतीत्यनेन तस्यैव
परब्रह्मत्वं ततोतिरिक्तब्रह्माभावश्च सिद्धयति ।
Bh.Vi, Com.on.Y.M.,G.S, p.97.
319. तस्माद्भारतवाक्यानां लक्ष्यैकार्थ्यसिद्धये ।
विष्णोरत्युत्तमत्वाख्यमर्थमाहेति सिद्धयति ॥
Y.M.,G.S, p.98b, Śl.692.

320. अत्र दैवश्रेष्ठयोर्ब्रह्मद्रव्योर्विष्णवधीनत्वप्रवणात्
सिद्धाविष्णोरेव सर्वात्मता ।
Bh.Vi, Com.on.Y.M., G.S.p.98.

321. मध्यनन्तगुणोऽनन्ते गुणतोऽनन्तविग्रहे । Bhāg.VI-4-48.
इति भागवतेकृष्णो निस्संख्यानस्वगुणानपि ।

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देशतःकालतश्चैव गुणतोऽपिद्वयनन्तता ।
अतस्त्वन्निर्गुणब्रह्म कस्मिन्देशे कदा भवेत् ।
सर्वेभ्यो देशकालेभ्यः प्रयस्तत्तु बहिष्कृतं ।
Y.M., G.S, Pp.100b, 100 Ślokas 713 to 716.

322. The reference of Nirguna occurs here is from the
Svetāśvatara Upaniṣad (VI-11).

The passage runs :-

" एको देवः सर्वभूतेषु गूढः । सर्वव्यापी सर्वभूतान्तरात्मा ।
कर्माध्यक्षः सर्वभूताधिवासः ।
साक्षीचेता केवलो निर्गुणश्च ।
Bhagavata R.R, ' The Svetāśvatara Upaniṣad '
Tukarama Jivaji, Bombay 1900, p.44, Ch.VI-11.

323. दृश्यते च तदामानमेयता ज्ञान दृश्यता ।
इति धर्मद्वयं प्राप्तं तत्पदेन च वाच्यता ॥
लक्ष्यता वा यतो वश्यं तेन प्राप्ता पदार्थता ॥
Y.M., G.S, p.100, Ślokas 718-719.

324. ब्रह्मशब्देन चाप्युक्ता गुणबुद्धितैव हि ।
अतस्तपदयोश्च स्यात्परस्परविरुद्धता ॥
Ibid, P.101b Śl.723.

325. सत्त्वं पारमार्थिकं व्यावहारिकं प्रातिभासिकं च । ...।
 पारमार्थिकसत्त्वं त्रिकालाबाध्यत्वम् ।
 व्यावहारिकसत्त्वं ब्रह्मज्ञानातिरिक्ताबाध्यम् ।
 प्रातिभासिकं सत्त्वं ब्रह्मज्ञानातिरिक्त बाध्यत्वम् ।
 तथा च ज्ञानान्त सिद्धान्ते केवलं ब्रह्मण एव त्रिकाला-
 बाध्यतया तस्य पारमार्थिकं सत्त्वम् । घटपटदेः
 ब्रह्मज्ञानोदयं विना अबाधितत्वेन तत्र व्यावहारिकं
 सत्त्वं । शुक्तिरूप्यादेः ब्रह्मज्ञानातिरिक्तेन आरोपा-
 धिष्ठानयैतन्यावच्छेदीभूतशुक्त्यादिज्ञानेन
 बाधात् प्रातिभासिकसत्त्वम् ।
 Joshi, Srimadanandajha, Bhagavati, com.on.
Vedāntaparibhāṣa of Sri Dharmarajadvarindra,
 Akhila Bharata Sanskrit Prasad, Lucknow, Vikram Śaka 2021,
 p.142.
326. बोध्यं चेन्निर्गुणत्वं स्यान्निर्गुणत्वं न सिद्ध्यति ।
 न बोध्यं निर्गुणत्वं चेन्निर्गुणत्वं न सिद्ध्यति ॥
Y.M, G.S, p.102b, śl .733.
- 326A. Supra.
327. एष निष्कण्टकः पन्था यत्र सम्पूज्यते हरिः ।
Y.M,G,S, p.102b, śl .735.
328. कुपथं तं विजानीयादशो विन्दरहितागमं ।
Ibid, śl .735.
329. हरेर्भिन्नत्वपूज्यत्वस्वामित्वप्रतिपादिका ।
 निष्कण्टकामाध्वशुद्धपद्धतिश्चेति सिद्ध्यति ॥
Ibid, p.102 śl .738.
330. पंचलक्षणात्मकः शास्त्रविशेषः ।
 ... यथा वेदव्यासकृतान्यष्टादश पुराणानि ।
 तथोक्तम् - सर्गश्चप्रतिसर्गश्च वंशो मन्वन्तराणि च ।
 वंशस्यानुचरितं चैव पुराणं पंचलक्षणम् ।
 Q.Jhalakikar Bhāmacarya, Nyāyakośa, p.503.

331. Cf: पुराणानि च सात्त्विकराजसतामसभेदेन विभक्तानि
पद्मपुराणे । - - -
अग्नेः शिवस्य माहात्म्यं तामसेषु च कथ्यते ।
ब्रह्मणस्तत्पुराणस्य माहात्म्यं राजसेषु च ।
सात्त्विकेष्वधिकं तत्तद्विष्णोर्माहात्म्यमुत्तमम् ॥

Ibid.

332. शैवं ब्रह्मं वैष्णवं च पुराणमखिलं यतः ।
अतस्तेभ्यः पुराणेभ्यो यद्बहिस्तश्रुतेरपि ।
Y.M., G.S., p.102, Ś1.740.
पुराणश्रुत्योरैकार्थनियमात् ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M.G.S., p.102.
333. इतिहासः -
धर्मार्थकाममोक्षाणामुपदेशसमन्वितम् ।
पूर्ववृत्तकथायुक्तमितिहासं प्रचक्षते ॥
Jhalakikar Bhimacarya, Nyāyakosa, p.140.
334. इतिहासपुराणाभ्यां वेदं समुपबृंहयेत् ।
बिभेत्यल्पश्रुताद्वेदो मामयं प्रचलिष्यति ॥
... यः श्रुतेर्योजना तस्मात् विष्णुब्रह्मश्रुतेर्बलात् ।
Y.M., G.S., p.103b, 745 & 746.
तस्मात् सात्त्विकपुराणानुसारेण भारतानुसारेण
श्रुतेर्योजनीयत्वात् ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M., G.S, p.103.
335. सत्यंज्ञानमनन्तमानन्दं ब्रह्म ।
Sarvopaniṣatsāra-3.
336. यस्मात्त्वदुक्तवाक्यार्थस्त्वयैवत्याजितोऽखिलः ।
तस्मादैक्यं नैव सिद्धेन्निर्गुणत्वादिकं च ते ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.103, Ś1.753.

337. सर्वधर्मपरित्यागात् संकोचं कोन मानयेत् ।
अतो निर्गुणवाग्वदे हिं त्रिगुणवर्जितम् ॥
Ibid. p.104b, Ś1.755.
338. विमतो परमो मुक्तः परमात्मा घटादिवत् ।
Y.M.,G.S., p.104b, Ś1.756.
अत्र परमोमुक्तः परमात्मेति पक्षः, भावधर्माणां धर्मा
॥सगुणः॥ इति साध्यं, मुक्तत्वादिति हेतुः, घटत्वादिति दृष्टान्तः ।
Bh.Vi. com.on.Y.M., G.S, p.104b.
339. अव्याहतमतिर्मुक्ते बन्धाभावं न को वदेत् ।
Y.M.,G.S., p.104b, Ś1.758.
- 339A. सम्भवति ब्रह्मणः सर्वविशेषप्रतिषेधेनैव
विजिज्ञापयिष्यित्वान्न सत्तन्नासदुच्यते इति ।
Śaṅkara, Gītābhāṣya, XIII.12 p.181.
We follow the Upaniṣads in which 'BRAHMAN' is always
described negatively.
340. मुक्तत्वं नास्ति चेत्तर्हि बद्धत्वेनैव धर्मवान् ।
बद्धपुरुषवत्स्याद्वि व्याहतिस्तु तत्राधिका ॥
Ibid. Ś1.759.
व्याहतिरित्यत्र मुक्तइत्यंगीकृत्य पुनर्मुक्तत्वाभावांगीकारात्
एका मुक्तस्य बद्धत्वांगीकारात् अपरा चेति व्याहतिद्वयं
दृष्टव्यम् ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M., G.S, p.104b.
- 340A. अविद्यात्मिका हि बीजशक्तिः अव्यक्तशब्द-
निर्देशया परमेश्वराश्रया मायामयी महासृष्टिः ।
Sū.Bhā.(Śaṅkara) I-1v-3.
Satsastak, Śaṅkara, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya Vol. p.304.

341. बन्धोबन्धवन्तरूपमुक्तत्वं च न यत्परे ।
नित्यमुक्तनापि घटे ततः का मे क्षतिर्वद ।
Y.M., G.S, p.104, Śl.761.

In the previous verse, 'Baddhatva' and 'Muktatva' are referred to not with the intention to ascribe the same to 'Nirguna-Brahman'. But by means of that author wants to prove 'Nityamuktatva'. (the state of eternally liberated). So the Nityamuktatva of the Lord is proved by discarding the Baddhatva and Muktatva (attainable). Even if with wrong notion, Baddhatva is taken, the Baddha-jīva (Brahman) becomes Saguna. This argument is just to prove Sagunatva of the Lord, in case of those who do not accept Sagunatva of the Lord on account of being Nityamukta. So the aim of the author is to prove 'Sagunatva' of Brahman and not Baddhatva in Brahman.

342. सर्वासु हि उपनिषत्सु "नेति नेति" "अस्थूलमणु"
इत्यादि विशेषप्रतिषेधेनैव निर्दिश्यते । न "इदं तत्"
इति । वायो गोचरत्वात् ।
Śaṅkara, Gītābhāṣya (Gītā-Bhā) (Śaṅkara) XIII-12.p.181.

343. अभावाधारत्वतो वा भावधर्मी कपालवत् ।
समस्तधर्माभावेपि ह्यभावाधारता धृता ॥
Y.M., G.S, p.104, Śl.762.
परमात्मा सगुणः अभावाश्रयत्वात् कपालवत् ॥

344. मुक्तत्वं भावधर्मी यत्तत्सत्त्वे धर्मवान्नु किम् ।
Ibid, p.105b, Śl.765.

345. According to the Advaitins, Brahman alone is real and all else is unreal. Therefore, even this 'Vyāvahārika-satyatva' becomes unreal. They define 'Mithyātva' as -

"नास्ति नासीन्न भविष्यति इत्याकारकज्ञानविषयत्वं मिथ्यात्वं ।

Mithyatva is the cognition of negation in the present, the past and the future, That which did not exist, in the past, does not exist in the present and will not exist in the future. So Vyāvahārikasatyatva means not real factually during all these times but appearing to be real for a longer period in the present only.

346. मुक्तत्वव्याहृतिश्चस्याद्यावहारिकसंगमे ।
मुक्तादिस्स्यान्मुक्ततादिर्नेतृव्याहृतेर्गृहं ॥
Y.M., p.105, Śl.770.

347. विप्रस्याद्विप्रतानैव गोमान्त्यादगौर्नकाचन ।
धनी नैव धनं चेति को नूनमत्तो वदेद्वद ॥
Ibid, p.106b, Śl.772.

- 347A. लक्षणा -
मुख्यार्थबाधे तद्योगे रुद्धितोऽप्रयोजनात् ।
अन्यो र्थो लक्ष्यते यत्सा लक्षणारोपिता क्रिया ॥
Pathaka & Rama, 'Kāvyaaprakāśa of Mammata'
Ganganathajha Kendriya Sanskrit Vidyapitham, Prayag, 1976.
p.29.

348. सुखरूपमितीयं वाक्सुखरूपत्ववादिनी ।
तद्योगादूपमप्याह न सा हि स्वाग्रहानुमा ॥
Y.M., G.S, p.106, Śl.779.

349. According to the logicians, Mukti is a state of
absense of Duhkha and not Sukharūpa.
अतो मुक्तिरमुक्तिस्स्यादियं तार्किकमुक्तिवत् ।
मुक्तत्वहेतोरुच्छित्तिः साध्याभावे ततो ध्रुवा ॥
Y.M., G.S, p.107b, Śl.782.

समस्तविशेषगुणोच्छेदे संहारावस्थायामाकाश-
वदात्मनो त्यन्तावस्थानं मोक्षवति ।। न च सुखार्थेव
प्रेक्षावतां प्रवृत्तिः ।

Com:- सुखदुःखाविनाभावात् यदि मोक्षावस्था-
यां सुखं स्यात् तर्हि दुःखं स्यात्।
दुःखं केवलं परित्यज्य सुखस्यैव भोक्तुम-
शक्यत्वादित्यर्थः ।

Subrahmanya Sastri S. & Subrahmanya Sastri V.,
'Nyāyasārah of Bhāsarvajña G.O.M.L.Madras, 1961.
Pp.II-155, III-72.

350. योत्र अभिनिष्पद्यते इत्युक्तः स सर्वबन्धविनिर्मुक्तः
शुद्धेनैव आत्मना अवतिष्ठते ।

Br.Sū.Bhā. (Śāṅkara) IV-iv-2.

~~Saṅkara~~, Śāṅkara, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, Vol.2, p.1056.

351. उक्तरतीत्या बहिर्भूतमश्रौतमभवदध्वम् ।

Y.M., G.S., p.107b, śl.783.

352. अतश्श्रुतिपुराणस्थ निर्गुणाख्या हरिंप्रभुं ।
निर्गुण ब्रह्म मद्दासी संग्येवासीन्न मत्प्रियं ॥
स्वस्वामिनो गुणान्हित्वा जग्रात प्राकृतगुणान् ।
Ibid, Pp.108b, & 108. Ślokas 788, 790.

353. निर्गुण्येनैव गुणिता निर्गुण्यं च न चेन्नञ्जौ ।
सगुणत्वं स्थिरीकृत्य विशुद्धार्थत्वकारकौ ॥

Y.M., G.S., p.108, śl.791.

- 353A. "नेहनानास्ति किञ्चन " (§Kāṭha.Up.II-11)

...आत्मैव नान्यदस्तीति । आप्ते च नानात्वप्रत्युपस्थापिकाया
अविद्यायानिवृत्तत्वात् इह ब्रह्मणि नाना नास्ति किञ्चन अनुमात्रमपि ।

Śāṅkara, Kāṭhopaniṣadbhāṣyam (Śrī Śāṅkaragranthāvaliḥ)
Nyayakosa, p.507.

354. निर्गुणश्रुतिरपि युक्तिप्रिया इमामेव युक्तिं
अनुसंधाय सकलश्रुतिप्रामाण्यरक्षायै
त्रैगुण्यवर्जितमिदमित्यादि स्मृतिसमाख्यया
दुर्गुणानेव निषेधति ।
Bh.VI.Y.M, G.S, p.109.

355. वाच्यत्वेनैव गुणिता वाच्यत्वे निर्गुणोक्तिः ।
नोभयं चेदशाब्दत्वधर्मेण स्याद्वि धर्मिता ॥
Y.M.,G.S, p.110b, Ś1.801.

355A. पृथक्त्वम् -
असाहित्यम् ।
यथा इदमस्मात्पृथक् इत्यादौ ।
Jhalakikar Bhimacarya, Nyāyakośa, p.507.

न मूषा निर्गुणत्वं चेन्निरगुणत्वश्रुतिर्गता ।
तेनैव सगुणत्वाप्ते भविमात्रनिषेधे ॥
अन्योन्याभावभेदस्य पट्टबन्धोभविष्यति ॥
Ibid, p.110, Ś1.806.

356. अन्योन्याभावातिरिक्तं पृथक्त्वं तत्त्ववादिना ।
निषेद्धं शक्यते जीवे विभागाख्याभिदा तथा ॥
Ibid., p.111, Ś1.810.

357. विशेषो नास्ति भावस्ते भेदो भावोगतिर्धृवा ।
Y.M.,G.S, p.112b, Ś1.814.

358. सार्वज्ञादिगुणनिषेधार्थं मुख्यवृत्त्याप्रवृत्तया निर्गुणोक्त्या
सर्वज्ञादिगुणनिषेधकाले एव न शाब्दत्वादिकं निषेद्धं शक्यम् ॥
Bh.VI. com.ob.Y.M.G.S, p.113b.

358A. उपजीव्यत्वम् - See,
Jhalakikar, Bhimacarya, Nyāyakośa, p.159.

359. ततोपि निगुणत्वं न स्वोपजीव्यस्यबाधकं ।
तस्माच्छब्दत्वं बोध्यत्वधर्मित्वादिगुणानुगा ॥
Y.M., G.S, p.113, Śl.823 & 824
360. मुख्यावृत्तिश्च गुणिनि तत्तत्सत्तामपेक्षते ।

यदा यत्र घटस्तत्र तदा किं तन्निषेधनं ॥
Ibid, p.114, p, Ślokas, 829, & 830.
361. अतोपि सा श्रुतिस्त्वा ह्युपजीव्यैव मे भवेत् ।
बिभेमि तद्विरोधाय त्रिगुणास्तु जडात्मकाः ॥
जीवेषु प्रमिता भ्रान्त्या प्राप्ता बह्मणि निमलि ।
निरवधश्रुतिस्थेऽस्मिन् निषेधया ह्यत्यगाद्बहिः ॥
Ibid, Ślokas 831 & 832.
362. अभावे गौरवं प्राहुः भावेऽपि लघुतां बुद्ध्याः ।
Y.M., G.S, p.114, Śl.834.
636. बोधयार्थं ह्यव बोधकश्रुतिरप्यबाध्यैव भवेत् । ... । अतोभावोऽपि अवशेषणीय इत्यर्थः ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M.G.S, p.114 & 115b,
364. सतोपि दोषतो दोषस्त्वासत्त्वे किं न दुष्टता ।
Y.M., G.S, p.115 & Śl.842.
365. व्यावहारिकसत्त्वेन बोधकं यदि बोधकं ।
व्यावहारिकसत्त्वेन न बोध्यस्याप्यस्तु बोध्यता ॥
Ibid, Śl.844.
366. एवं च यदि बोध्यस्य तत्त्वतायां भरो मम ।
बोधकस्यापि तद्भावे भरोऽवश्यमपेक्षितः ॥
Ibid, Śl.846.
367. त्रैगुण्ये वर्जिते विष्णौ गुणत्रयमदूषयत् ।
धर्मनिर्मूलनं धर्मं न मेने ह्यति मे मतिः ॥
Ibid, p.116b, Ślokas 848 & 850.

368. It is surprising to note that unlike Śaṅkara, Madhva has not written commentary on 'Śvetāśvataropaniṣad'. But, the reference of this Upaniṣad is seen widely and oftenly in his works and in the works of his followers.

But, during last century, a renowned scholar by name Satari Narayanacarya, has written commentary. This commenatry is unique, simple, lucid and at the same time deep. The exposition given, is in the light of Dvaita system.

Com.on Nirguṇasruti:-

एकः प्रधानो गूढो गुप्ततया स्थितः
सर्वभूतान्तर्धामि कर्मणां प्रेरकः साक्षात् दृष्टा चेता
ज्ञाता जडामिश्रस्वरूपः सत्त्वादिगुणभूत्यो न तु सर्वथा
गुणभूत्यः साक्षित्वादेः । ॥

Shavnur Govinda, Śvetāśvataropaniṣad, with com.of
Satari Narayanacarya, Dharwad, Saka, 1855, p.59.

- 368A. "एकमेवाद्वितीयम् ।" (Chā.Up.VI-ii-1) शां.भा. (Śaṁ. Bhā)

.....। एकमेवेति । स्वकार्यपतितमन्यन्नास्तीति
एकमेवेत्युच्यते ।। तस्मात् असतः सर्वाभावस्थात् सत्
विद्यमानम् समुत्पन्नम् ।

Śaṅkara: Chhāndogyopaniṣadbhāṣya (Śaṅkaragranthāvaliḥ),
Srivanivilasa Press, Srirangam, Vol.5, Pp286,288.

" तत्त्वमसि " (Chhā.Up.VI-viii-7)

स यः सदाख्यः एषः उक्तः अणिमा-अणुभावः
जगतो मूलम् ऐतदात्म्यम् एतत्सदात्मा यस्य सर्वस्य तत्
ऐतदात्म्यं तस्यभावः ऐतदात्म्यम् ।

... येन च आत्मना आत्मवत् सवमिदं जगत्,
तदेव सदाख्यं कारणं सत्यं परमार्थसत् ।

Śaṅkara, 'Chhāndogyopaniṣadbhāṣya (Śaṅkaragranthāvaliḥ)
Srivanivilasa Press, Srirangam, Vol.5, p.322.

369. अपि चैकत्वधर्मस्य सत्त्वे भावगुणोस्ति ते ।
तदभावे गतंशास्त्रमैक्यमेकत्वमेव यत् ॥
Y.M., G.S, p.116b, Śl.851.
370. विद्वत्प्रयोगबाहुल्याच्छदस्यार्थोभिधीयते ।
पदलभ्यत्वतो नैव यद्वातद्वा निगद्यते ॥
नहि पंकजशब्देन भङ्गलोकोनुमीयते ।
किं वा सुवर्णशब्देन व हिः केनापि कथ्यते ॥
अशब्देते प्रयोगो न प्रयोगबहुता कुतः ॥
Ibid, P.116 & 117b, Ślokas 854,855,856.
371. एको देवः सर्वभूतेषु गूढ इति श्रुत्या देवत्वादिगुण-
विशिष्टे हरावेव निर्गुणपदश्रवणात् । हरिस्तु निर्गुणस्साक्षादिति-
स्मृतौ स्पष्टं हरावेव निर्गुणपदप्रयोगाच्च ।
Bh.Vi.com.on. Y.M, G. S, p.117b,
372. तत्तत्पदार्थसामर्थ्यानुपमर्देन शब्दतः ।
अर्थो बोध्योऽशब्दस्य सत्त्वादर्थोपमर्दनम् ।
गुरौ गुरुपदं हि स्यादुपदेशादिकैर्गुणैः ।
भारेण तु शिलायां स्यात्कल्पनायां बहुत्वतः ।
Y.M., G.S,p, 117b, Ślokas 858& 859.
एवं हरौ प्रयुक्तं निर्गुणपदमपि संकोचमाश्रित्य
तस्यायोग्यगुणत्रयमेव निषेधति । न तु तद्गतसार्वज्ञादि
गुणमपि उपमर्दयतीति भावः ।
Bh.Vi, Com.on.Y.M.,G.S, 117.
373. सुशोभनगुणैः पूर्णं प्रयुक्तं तत्पदं हरौ ।
अशोभनगुणानेव निषेधति न शोभनान् ॥
Y.M, G.S, p.117, Śl.862.
374. हरिस्तु निर्गुणस्साक्षात् पुरुषः प्रकृते परः ।
स सर्वदृगुपद्रुष्टा तं भजन्निर्गुणो भवेत् ।
Bhāg.X-88-5.

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इति भागवते प्रोक्तो हरिरेव हि निर्गुणः ।
 समस्तगुणसम्पूर्णः श्रुत्यास्मृत्या समार्थया ॥
 केवलो निर्गुणश्चेति व्यापी देवस्त कथ्यते ।
 अतस्त्रिगुणशून्यत्वादगुणसर्वस्वबुद्धितः ।
 स एव निर्गुणं ब्रह्म शुद्धं ब्रह्म स एव नः ॥

Y.M., G.S., p.118b, Ślokas, 867 to 869.

375. सद्यःशुद्धकरी नृणां सोशुद्धः किल दुर्धिया ।

Y.M., G.S., p.118, Śl.870.

आपस्तम्बेयवनेजन्यस्त्रीलोकान्शुष्ययो पुनन् इत्यादि
 भागवतोक्तवाक्यान्तरार्थसंग्रहः ।

Bh.Vi.Com.on.Y.M., G.S, p.118.

376. मोक्षस्य निर्गुणत्वं च त्रैगुण्योऽङ्गितैव हि ।

लुप्त्यै समस्तभाग्यानां को नून्मतः प्रवर्तते ॥

Y.M., G.S., p.118, Ślokas, 871 & 872.

377. अतो निर्गुणशब्दोऽयं हरौ त्रिगुणवर्जनात् ।

मुक्तोऽपि तेन तच्छब्दो ... ॥

Ibid, p.119b, Śl.875.

378. किं चाप्रोक्तपुंसोऽस्य चिन्मात्राकारता धृष्ट ।

स च सार्वज्ञादि धर्मा सर्वधर्मच्युतिः कदा ॥

Ibid, p.119, Śl.880.

379. Savanur Govind, 'Śvetāśvataropaniṣad' with com.of.

Satari Narayanacārya, p.55, Ch. VI, Śl.2.

380. यः सर्ववित् येन च नित्यं सर्वदा ... ।

॥ तेनावृतं नित्यमिदं हि विश्वं ज्ञः कालकालो गुणी सर्वविद्यः । ... ॥ ॥

Ibid.

381. स सर्वदृगिति प्रोक्तो वाक्येऽस्मिन्नेव सद्गुणः ।

एकः साक्षी देव इति श्रुतिवाक्येऽपि सद्गुणः ॥

अतस्त्वदर्थकथने स्वचिस्त्वेव वाग्भवेत् ॥

Y.M., G.S, p.119, Śl.881.

381A. अनुवादः-

... प्राप्तस्यानु पश्चात्कथनं सप्रयोजनमनुवाद इति
सामान्य लक्षणम् । ॥गौ.वृ. 2.1.65॥.

Jhalakikar Bhimacarya, Nyāyakosā, p.33.

382. किं च ब्रह्मसूत्रानुसारेणैव श्रुतिव्याख्येया,
न स्वेच्छानुसारेण, सूत्रं च भगवद्गुणानेव अंगीकरोति
न प्रतिषेधति । अतः श्रुतिरपि तथैव व्याख्येया ॥

Bh.Vi.Com.on.Y.M., G.S, p.120.

व्यासश्रौतगुणास्मोदौ नैकत्यार्गं च मन्यते ।

सर्वधर्मोपपत्तेश्चेत्याह यत्स्वयमंजसा ॥

Y.M., G.S, p.121b, Ś1.891.

383. नञोविमज्जयोगे तु श्रौतं तत्तन्निषेधनम् ।
समस्तनञ्चिन्मागस्यायोगादार्थं निषेधनम् ॥

Y.M., G.S, p.121b, Ś1.893.

आर्थं निर्गुण इति सामान्यतो गुणनिषेधे गुणत्वाकान्तत्वादेकत्वादि-
गुणानां निषेधस्त्यादित्यर्थः तत्सिद्धामित्यर्थः ॥

Bh.Vi.com.on Y.M., G.S, p.121, b.

384. Suprā.

385. अनुवादकलिङ्गं यत्तदित्यादिकं न हि ।
भिन्नवाक्यतया यत्र निषेधस्तत्र तदुक्तं ॥
एकवाक्ये निषेधे तु नञिलिङ्गं इतरत्र तत् ॥

Y.M., G.S, p.121 Ś1.898.

386. निर्गुणत्वे स्थिरे तेन मानानां स्या दमानता ।
तत्सत्त्वे चाविरुद्धं ते निर्गुणत्वं स्थिरं भवेत् ॥

Ibid, Ś1.900.

386A. यः सर्वज्ञः सर्ववित् ।

Mund.Up.I-i-9.

387. श्रुतिप्राप्तस्य च श्रुत्या निषेधे मानता हता ।
 एतदभाधे सावकाशे निर्गुणैक्यागमे तव ॥
 विश्वासस्स्यात्कथं नृणां॥
Ibid, p.122b, Śl.904.
388. अतोनुवादमात्रेण नार्थस्य स्याद्वि दूषणं ।
 बहुप्रमाणसंवादादुदाहर्यमेव भविष्यति ॥
Y.M.,G.S, p.122, Śl.906.
389. एवं हरेर्हिसार्वज्ञं सा श्रौतं न निषेधति ॥
Ibid, p.123b, Śl.909.
390. इत्थं श्रौतगुणैभ्यो यच्छ्रुत्या एव प्रयोजनं ।
 अतस्तेषामभावं सा स्वाभावं मनुते सती ॥
Ibid, p.123, Śl.913.
- 390A. एषनित्यो महिमा ब्राह्मणस्य ।
Brih.Up.IV-iv-23.
- 390B. Q.Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M.,G.S, p.123.
391. सर्वधर्मैषसर्वज्ञः सर्वस्येशान इत्यपि ।
 श्रुतयस्स्मृतयो गायन्गुणानित्यादयो न किं ॥
 मय्यनन्तगुणेऽनन्ते गुणतो नन्तविग्रहे ।
 जन्मकामाभिधानानि सन्ति मेगसहस्रशः ।
 न शक्यन्ते नुसंख्यातुमनन्तत्वाज्जन्मयापि हि ॥
Ibid, p.124, Ślokas, 924 & 925.
392. किंचानिर्गुण इत्येव पदच्छेदे लसत्पदं ।
 वाक्यस्यान्नांगविच्छेदस्तस्येत्यतिसमंजसं ॥
 श्रुतिस्त्वोक्तगुणस्येमे नैर्गुण्यं प्रतिषेधति ।
 इति संगतिरप्यस्ति वाक्यस्याप्येकवाक्यता ।
Ibid, Ślokas, 927.& 929.

393. Supra Fn.364 A.

394. किंच निर्गुणतावाक्ते गुणमात्रनिषेधे ।
ज्ञानानन्दाद्यभिन्नगुणानां स्यान्ननिषेधिका ॥
Y.M.,G.S, p.124. Śl.930.

394A. Kaṭha.Up. II-11.

395. यद्यभिन्नं सुखं ज्ञानं गुणात्सर्वेभ्यमेदिनः ।
सन्तु नेहेति वाक्यस्य भयादुपभृता हरेः ।
Ibid,p.125b Śl.931.
नेहनानेति वाक्यबलात् ज्ञानानन्दादिवत्
सर्वज्ञादीनामप्यभेदतास्यादिति भावः ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M.G.S, p.125b.

396. The qualities such as form etc, of a pot are identical with that pot. But when a wet pot is heated then the colour gets changed. So as long as Dharmas are there with a Dharmin, there is Abheda in between them. When some Dharmas get changed, then with these Dharmas there may be 'Bheda'. So in such cases Bheda and Abheda are admitted.

396A. Infra. See; fn 420

397. न शक्यन्तेनुसंख्यातुमनन्तत्त्वान्मयापिहि ।
इतीरन्यगुणादीनामानन्त्यं स्वगुणादिषु ॥
गुणादित्वं च किं तत्त्वमुत्तिसृक्षति स प्रभुः ॥
Y.M.,G.S, p.125.Śl.937.

398. नोपचारादितस्तिद्धास्तत्सर्वं यस्यसर्वदा ।
आत्मशक्तिविशेषेण सर्वथा निर्वहेत्परं ॥
Ibid.Śl.940.
स एव भेदाभावाद्यस्थलेभेदकार्यनिर्वहिक इत्युक्तं
भवति ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M.,G.S, p.126b.

398A. आत्मनि चैवं विचित्राश्च हि । (II-1-29)

मध्वभाष्यम् -

परमात्मनो विचित्राश्च शक्तयः सन्ति ।

नान्येषाम् -।

अनुव्याख्यानम् -

अप्यनेकस्वरूपेषु विशेषादेव केवलम् ।

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तस्य त्वशेषाकित्वाद् युज्यते सर्वमेव हि ॥

Madhva. Brahmasūtrabhāṣya & Anuvyākhyāṇa (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ) p.68.

398A. ... उपाधिस्तु कार्यान्वियी व्यावर्तकी वर्तमानश्च ।

Joshi 'Vedāntaparibhāṣā of Śrī dharmarājādhvarīndra.p.71.

उपाधिकृतं मिथ्यारूपम् ...।

Sankara. Gitābhāṣya (XIII-13.7 p.183)

399. य इक्षी अस्य जगतो नित्यमेव , (Śvet.Up.VI-17)

... कविर्मनीषी परिभूः स्वयम्भूयान्धयतो धान्

व्यध्वाच्छावतीभ्यः समाभ्यः ।

(Īśa.Up-I-1)

भाष्यम् -

स सत्यं जगदेतादृङ् नित्य मेव प्रवाहतः ।

अनाद्यनन्तकालेषु प्रवाहैकप्रकारकम् ।

नियमेनैव सृष्टेर्भगवान् पुरुषोत्तमः ॥

Madhva. Īśāvāsyopaniṣadbhāṣya. (Sarvamūlagrantha) p.511.

400. मिथ्योपाधिकं सार्वज्ञमिथ्यात्वान्नैकतेति चेत् ।

सत्यविश्वस्य सामर्थ्यादिति तस्योत्तरं वदेत् ॥

Y.M.,G.S, p.126b, Śl.943.

401. सत्यत्वे यदि संदेहो मिथ्यात्वे कस्य निश्चयः ।

कलहेनविरुद्धेस्मिन् तत्सत्यत्वे न बाधकं ॥

Ibid, p.126, Śl.944.

- 401A. घटोपाधिकवृत्तेश्च मनोरूपत्वमिष्यते ।
 घटस्तु न मनोरूपो बाह्योसावांतरं मनः ॥
Ibid, S1.945.
 घटोपाधिकवृत्तेः घटविषयकमानसज्ञानस्य ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M., G.S, p.126.
402. अतस्सार्वज्ञिकतायां सर्वस्यैक्यं च नोच्यते ।
 मिथ्यारजतदृष्टेश्च साक्षिणः सत्यता तव ॥
Y.M., G.S, p.126, S1.946.
403. मिथ्याभूतार्थसम्बन्धान्मिथ्याज्ञानं यदीष्यते ।
 सत्येशज्ञानसम्बन्धादर्थस्तित्याः कथं न ते ॥
Ibid, S1.947.
404. निर्दोषिवरचिद्योगात्सत्यता लोकसंमता ॥
Ibid, S1.949.
405. किंच नानापदार्थानां भ्रमोपि ब्रह्मचिन्तव ।
 मिथ्यार्थज्ञानरूपं ते ब्रह्म किं नाभवत्तव ॥
 सत्यार्थं ज्ञानरूपोसौ कथं मिथ्या मम प्रभुः ॥
Ibid, P.127b & 127., S1okas, 953 & 954.
406. अतो भगवतो धर्माः सर्वे सर्वेश्वरात्मकाः ।
 तच्छक्त्या धर्मधर्मित्वं एकता नेकतादि च ॥
Ibid, p.127, S1.956.
407. अभिन्नगुणसत्यत्वधौ व्यादब्रह्मसुखादिवत् ॥
Ibid, p.128b, S1.960.
- 407A. Brih.Up.III-ix-28.
- 407B. Tait.Up.II-iv-1.

408. गुणता गुणिता च स्यात्सुखतासुखिता यथा ।
आनन्दं ब्रह्मणो विद्वान् इत्यप्याह श्रुतिस्त्फुटं ॥
Ibid, Sl.963.

अस्य सुखस्य ब्रह्मणश्च सुखता सुखिता यथा
तथा अस्य ब्रह्मणः तत्सार्वज्ञादेश्च गुणता -
गुणिता च स्यादिति योजना ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M.,G.S, p.128b & 128.

409. अतो गुणात्मका एते गुणग्राह्या यथा श्रुतं ।
...
प्रभोःशक्तिविशेषण सर्वं तद्वि समंजसं ॥
Y.M.,G.S, p.128, Slokas, 965 & 966.

- 409A. तत्त्वमस्यादिवाक्यानामखण्डार्थबोधकत्वम् ।
.....। "एवं सत्यं ज्ञानमनन्तं ब्रह्म"
इत्यप्यवान्तरवाक्येष्वप्यखण्डार्थत्वं ज्ञेयं ।
Sacchidanandendrasarasvati (Vedāntaprakriyāpratyabhiñhā'
Adhyatmaprakasana Karyalaya, Holenarasipura, 1964, Vol.I.
p.648.

- 409B. Tait.Up.II-ii-1.

सत्यं ज्ञानमनन्तं ब्रह्म । (Tait.Up.II-ii-1)

शांकरभाष्यम् -

... तत् तस्मिन्नैव ब्राह्मणवाक्योक्ते अर्थे एषा ऋक् अभ्युक्ता, आम्नाता ।

"सत्यं ज्ञानमनन्तं ब्रह्म" इति ब्रह्मणः लक्षणार्थं वाक्यम् । सत्यादीनि हि

त्रीणि विशेषणार्थानि पदानि विशेष्यस्य ब्रह्मणः ।।

तत्र अनन्तशब्दोऽन्तवत्त्वप्रतिषेधद्वारेण विशेषणम् । सत्यज्ञानशब्दौ तु
स्वार्थसमर्पणेनैव विशेषणे भवतः ।

....सर्वविशेषप्रत्यस्तमितस्वरूपत्वाद् ब्रह्मणः । ब्राह्मसत्तासामान्यविषयेण -

सत्यशब्देन लक्ष्यते "सत्यं-ब्रह्म" इति । न तु सत्यशब्दवाच्यमेव ब्रह्म । एवं

सत्यादिशब्दाः इतरेतरसन्निधौ अन्योन्यनियम्यनियामकाः सन्तः □

सत्यादिशब्दवाच्यात् तन्निवर्तकाः ब्रह्मणो लक्षणार्थाश्च भवन्ति इत्यतःसिद्धं

"यतोवाचो निवर्तन्ते" । "अप्राप्य मनसा सह" "अनिरुक्ते निलयने" इति च

अवाच्यत्वं नीलोत्पलवत् अवाक्यार्थत्वं च ब्रह्मणः । "

Sacchidanandendrasarasvati 'Taittiriyaopaniṣad' with
Sāhkarabhāṣya, Adhyatma Prakas Karyalaya, Holenarasipura, 1973,
p.120, 121, 130, 135.

410. अतःकश्चन्द्र इत्येष प्रश्नः प्रश्नविदां मते ।
किं लक्षणम् इत्येव स्वार्थमर्थानुरो भवेत् ॥
चन्द्रत्ववान्क इत्येव वाक्यस्यार्थो यतःस्फुटं ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.129, Ślokas 973 & 974.
411. सत्यज्ञानादिवाक्यं तद्विशिष्टब्रह्मतत्परं ।
लक्षणप्रश्नवाक्यत्वात् ॥
Ibid, p.130b, Śl.977.
412. स्वरूपमात्रज्ञानस्य पदेनैकेनसम्भवात् ।
व्यर्थं पदान्तरं चस्याज्ज्ञातस्य ज्ञापनेन किं ॥
Ibid, Śl.978.
413. Supra. In 347A
414. किं च मुख्यार्थ बोधे हि लक्षणा ते न सत्यता ।
ज्ञानतानन्तता यैव भवेद्ब्रह्मणि बोधिता ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.130, Śl.983.
- 414A. सत्यत्वरहितं ब्रह्म मिथ्यैवस्याद्वैतादिवत् ।
सद्रूपमपि तन्नस्यात्तद्वत्तेनैव हेतुना ॥
Ibid, Śl.984.
415. अतस्तत्त्वत्वरहितं मिथ्यैवस्यान्नसंशयः ।
शिरसो मुण्डने तस्माच्छिखामुण्डनमप्यभूत् ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.130, Śl.986.
सत्त्वाभावे त्वदभिलषितसद्रूपत्वमपिगतमितिभावः ।
Bh.Vi.Com.on. Y.M., G.S., p.130.
416. Supra. In 368A
417. भेदश्च श्रुतिमुख्यार्थस्तुस्थिरोभूदिति स्थितं ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.131b. Śl.989.

418. सत्त्वादिमुण्डने किं न लक्ष्यत्वाद्यैस्सखण्डता ।
Ibid, p.131.Śl.993.
419. अखण्डत्वाद्यभावे तु तैवा याद्वि सखण्डता ।
Y.M.,G.S, p.131, Śl.994.
420. Sharma B.N.K., 'Philosophy of Śrī Madhvācārya', p.45.
- 420A. See: भेदहीनेत्वपर्यायशब्दान्तरनियामकः ।
विशेषो नाम कथितः सो स्ति वस्तुष्वशेषतः ॥
Madhva.Anuvyākhyāna (Sarvamūlagrantha) (A) 0.9.
- 420B. Cf: This Viśeṣa steps to explain the relation of identity-in-difference between object and 'difference'. It is here that Madhva introduces his concept of Viśeṣa to keep both Bheda and Dharmin intact and yet manages to account for their distinction of reference.
Shanbhag D.N. 'Some problems in Dvaita philosophy in their dialectical settings p.126.
421. विरुद्धयोस्ततोऽर्थोऽगस्तस्वमूलाघातिनो भवितु ।
Y.M.,G.S, p.132b, Śl.996.
न तु घटकशक्तेरेव घातकयोर्बद्धत्वमुक्तत्वादिरूप-
योरितिभावः ।
Bh.Vi., Com.on. Y.M., G.S, p.132b.
422. अणुत्वं च महत्त्वं च तथैव घटयेच्छ्रुतं ।
Y.M.,G.S, p.132, Śl.998.
423. भेदहीनेऽपि भेदस्य कार्यं यो घटयेच्छ्रुतं ।
स सामर्थ्यविशेषो हि विशेष इति गीयते ॥
Ibid, Śl.1002.

424. परप्रकाशको दीपो न किं स्वस्यप्रकाशकः ।
विशेषोन्यत्रनिर्वाही स्वनिर्वाही कथं न सः ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.133b, Sl.1003.
- 424A. स्वनिर्वाहको विशेषो नाम पदार्थाक्षितरभिषिच्यताम् ।
(Vādāvali, p.97b)
- 424B. Viśeṣa renders possible both difference and identity,
thus satisfactorily explaining the relation of identity-in-
difference between the object and its attributes (difference).
Shanbhag D.N. 'Some problems in Dvaita Philosophy in their
dialectical settings' p.127.
- 424C. See; एकस्य ज्ञानरूपस्य हरेरुक्तिविभागतः ।
अभिन्नोऽपि विशेषैषैवान्य इत्युदितो हरिः ॥
Madhva. Anuvyākhyāna (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ) p.15.
425. मूलाभेदेऽपि कृष्णाद्या नामन्ताकिं न सन्ति किं ।
यथानन्ताश्च सन्तश्च न भिन्ना मूलसद्गुणाः ॥
Ibid, p.133. Sl.1008.
426. गुणत्वस्य गुणित्वस्य तदभेदस्य चेश्वरे ।
प्रामाणिकस्य घटना शक्त्यैव स्यात्सुखादिवत् ॥
Y.M., G.S., p.134b. Sl.1010.
427. यथोदकं दुर्गेवृष्टं पर्वतेषु विधावति ।
एवं धर्मान्मृच्छं पश्यंस्तानेवानुविधावति ॥
इति श्रुतिर्यतोऽधर्मबाहुल्यप्रतिपादिका ।
निषेधति पृथग्भावमात्रं तैव विशेषवाक् ॥
Ibid, Slokas 1011 & 1012.
428. न च भेदप्रतिनिधेरभावे धर्मधर्मिभावो धर्माणामनेकवचनं च युक्तम् ।
Nym., p.564. Cf: It would be impossible to effect an
'identity' between the 'intrinsic and extrinsic forms or
aspects' of a thing, without the help of 'viśesas'. It is
the only wayout.
Sharma B.N.K. Philosophy of Śrī Madhvācārya, p.48.

429. यत्र यावन्तो व्यवहारास्तत्र तावन्तो विशेषा इति ज्ञातव्यम् ।
 Jayatīrtha. Nyāyasudhā, p.23.
 Cf: विशेषास्ते प्यनन्ताश्च परस्परविशेषिणः ।
 त्वनिवहिकतायुक्ताः सन्ति वस्तुष्वशेषतः ॥
 Madhva. Anuvyākhyāna (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ) p.9.
 See for details: Madhva, Upādhikhaṇḍanam (Daśaprakaraṇāni)
 SMRSS 1969, Pp.365, 366, 367.
430. महत्सुगुणसारेषु दोषान्वेषणधीर्मुधा ।
 अनन्तगुणहृद्योपि निरवद्यो न किं हरिः ॥
 Vādirāja, Yuktimallikā (Y.M) Śuddhisaurabha (Ś.S) p.1. Śl.1.
431. अपि संहृत्यनिखिलमपवादी किमच्युतः ।
 Ibid, Śl.2.
 अल्पस्य यो दोषः स महतो दोषो नेति यावत् । लोकेष्वेवं
 चेत् अलौकिको च्युतः न कर्मणा लिप्यते पापकेनेत्यादि श्रुतेः
 कुरकर्मकरणेषु पापलेपाख्यच्युतिरहितः ।
 Surottamatīrtha, Bhāvavilāsinī com.on.Y.M., S.S. p.1.
 Cf: अच्युतो यो गुणैर्नित्यमेवाखिलैः
 प्रच्युतोऽशेषदोषैस्सदा पूर्तितः ।
 उच्यते सर्वविदोस्त्वादैरजः
 स्वर्चितो ब्रह्मस्तेन्द्रपूर्वैस्सदा ॥
 Madhva. Dvādaśastotra (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ) ABMM, 1974,
 Vol.5, p.211.
432. यदा पत्रस्याविनाशित्वादिकं तदा किमुवाच्यं पत्रशायिनो
 हरेरितिभावः ।
 Surottamatīrtha, Bhāvavilāsinī, com.on.Y.M.Ś.S.p.2.
433. लये सतः प्रागभावाभावात् न हि हरेर्भवः ।
 Y.M., Ś.S., p.2b, Śl.4.

434. नाभिजन्माविधिस्तस्य क्रोधाज्जातस्त्रिलोचनः ।
नारायणो मूलरूपी जातः कस्माद्विचार्यताम् ॥
Ibid, Śl.5.
435. पूर्णप्रवृत्तिरन्यार्था न वै पुर्त्यर्थमान्मनः ।
तटाकोत्तिक्ततोयैः किं तटाकस्यैव पूरणम् ॥
Ibid, p.2, Śl.7.
436. न हि पूर्णसुखज्ञानो दुःखभ्रान्त्यवकाशवान् ।
Ibid, Śl.8.
437. प्राग्जन्मार्जितदुष्कर्म दुःखमूलं ध्रुवं नृणाम् ।
Ibid, p.3b, Śl.9.
438. See: Bhagavadgīta, (BG) III-23.
439. श्रीमद्भागवते प्रोक्तं निरवयस्ततः प्रभुः ।
Y.M., Ś.S, p.4, Śl.14.
See: Bhāgavata V-xiv-5,6.
440. सेतुं ब्रुवा समुद्रस्य ब्रह्महत्यां व्यपोहति ।
Y.M., Ś.S, p.5b, Śl.15.
441. See : Madhva. Mahābhārata Tātparya Nirṇaya, ABMMM, B'lore,
Vol.2, p.86.
442. कुक्षौ यस्याखिला लोका लक्ष्यन्ते स्म शिशोः किल ।
जननं मरणं चास्य न युक्तं युक्तिविन्मते ।
Y.M., Ś.S. p.5, Śl.18.
443. See: Bhāgavata - x-iii-9.
444. तदेव देवकीगर्भजातस्य किल वक्षसि ।
Y.M., Ś.S, p.6b, Śl.20.

445. See: Bhagavadgita (BG) II-24.
446. छेदोवेधः कथं प्रभोः ।
Y.M., S.S., p.6, Śl.24.
447. अतोन्नजनमोहाय नटवददर्शयित्परं ।
 ... नाटो, नाट्यकृते नारी नार्येवाज्ञस्य किं दुःशा ॥
Ibid, p.8b, Ślokas 35,36.
448. एवं श्रुतिस्मृतियुक्तिप्रत्यक्षाख्यप्रमाणत्रितयेनापि भगवतः
 निर्दोषत्वे सिद्धेपि यस्तं दोषिणं मनुते स निर्दोषमहापुरुष-
 दूषणाख्यदोषेणान्धेतमसि पाति ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., S.S., p.9,
 तस्मात्स्वमूलरूपेय स्वावतारेषु च प्रभुः ।
 अवधगन्धविधुरः इति सर्वं मनोरमम् ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.10b, Śl.47.

449. Ajñāna:-

Ajñāna, in the Advaita, appears in two forms, Māyā and Avidyā. So, there is no difference when reference is made about the nature and content of Ajñāna. These terms are therefore, used, sometimes, without the idea of difference in the sense.

See: Maya also sometimes, used by Śaṅkara, for Avidyā and he does not seem to hold that there is any difference between them, though the later Advaitins did distinguish the one from the other.

Mudgal S.G, Advaita of Śaṅkara, Motilal Banarasidas Delhi, 1976, p.10.

Some Advaitins draw a distinction between Māyā and Avidyā . ---

But this distinction is not valid. It cannot be conclusively proved that in the case of Māyā there is non-delusion of the abode.

Mahadevan, T.M.P., 'The Philosophy of Advaita', Ganesh & Co. (Madras) Private Ltd., Madras, 1957, p;229.

See also: "From what has been said above it is evident that Māyā (also called Avidyā or Ajñāna) is in itself an indefinable mysterious stuff, which has not merely a psychological existence, but also an autological existence as well."

Dasagupta, S. 'A History of Indian Philosophy', Vol.II,p.73.

In the Advaita, this Ajñāna or Avidyā or Māyā is explained as -

- (i) तमेतमविद्याख्यं आत्मानात्मनोरितरेतराध्यासं
पुरस्कृत्य सर्वप्रमाणसंशयव्यवहारा लौकिका वैदिकाश्च प्रवृत्ताः ।
- (ii) अविद्यात्मिका हि बीजशक्तिः अव्यक्तशब्दनिर्देशया
परमेश्वराश्रया मायामयी महासृष्टिः ।
- (iii) तमेतं एवं लक्षणं अध्यासं पण्डिता अविद्येति मन्यन्ते ।

Śaṭśāstri - Śāṅkara, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, Vol.1, Pp.14,15,304.

In the Advaita, it matters not much difference, as to what is Māyā and what is Avidyā, because it is false in both cases. There lies no much difference of opinion among modern scholars in respect of Māyā and Avidyā as shown above. Whereas some ancient scholars did hold slight difference.

See; Muralidharapandeya Śrīśāṅkarātpṛāgadvaitavedāntaḥ -
Varanasi, Samvat 2028, p.28 & 29.

So far as the discussion of the nature of Ajñāna is concerned, from Śāṅkara, till today, all scholars have greatly excercised to explain it.

Śāṅkara explains it as the aspect of mutual superimposition of self and non-self. He also says that it is a root cause of power associated with Brahman.
(See; above quations)

And moreover, it is Mithyā, means neither real nor non-real. It is inexplicable.

It is positive, beginningless, natural, and it is that which effects the activity and enjoyment etc., :-

स्वमयम् अनादिरनन्तः नैसर्गिकोऽध्यातः,
मिथ्याप्रत्ययरूपः कर्तृत्व भोक्तृत्वप्रवर्तकः
सर्वलोकप्रत्यक्षः ।

Saṭśāstri, Śaṅkara: Adhyāśabhāṣya, (Brahmasūtrabhāṣya) p 18.

See also:

अव्यक्तनाम्नी परमेश्वरकृति
रनाद्यविद्या त्रिगुणात्मिका परा ।
कार्यानुमेया सुधियैव माया
यया जगत्सर्वमिदं प्रसूयते ॥ 108.
सन्नाप्यसन्नाप्यभ्यात्मिका नो
भिन्नाप्यभिन्नाप्यभ्यात्मिका नो ।
सांगाप्यनंगा ह्युभ्यात्मिका नो
महद्भुता निर्वचनीयरूपा ॥

Madhavananda, Śaṅkara, Vivekachūḍāmaṇi - Advaita Ashrama, Mayavati 1926, Pp.44, 45.

Sadananda defines:-

अज्ञानं तु - सदसदभ्यामनिर्वचनीयं त्रिगुणात्मकं ज्ञानविरोधि
भावरूपं यत्किञ्चिदिति वदन्त्यहमज्ञ इत्याद्यनुभवात् "देवात्म-
"शक्तिं स्वगुणैर्निगूढाम्" इत्यादि श्रुतेश्च ।

Nikhilananda, Vedāntasāra of Sadānandayogīndra -
Advaita Ashrama Calcutta, 1968, p,23.

अज्ञानम् -

तत्रोक्तम् - अनादि भावरूपं यद्विज्ञानेन विलीयते ।
तदज्ञानमिति प्राज्ञा लक्षणं संप्रयक्षत इति मायावादिवेदान्तिनो वदन्ति ।
॥ सर्वद. पृ. 83.॥

Jhalakikar Bimacarya, Nyāyakosā p.5,

माया -

मायावादिवेदान्तिनस्तु मिथ्याबुद्धिहेतुभूत-
मज्ञानं माया । तच्चाज्ञानमीश्वरोपाधिः ।।
सर्व.सं.पृ.179.
Jhalakikar Bhimacarya, Nyāyakośa, p.652.

अज्ञानं च न ज्ञानाभावः किन्तु भावरूपं अनादि
अनिर्वाच्यं आवरणविक्षेप व्यापारं ।
तच्च शास्त्रजनिततत्त्वज्ञाननिवर्त्यत्वात् अज्ञानं
अविद्या इत्यादिशब्दैः उच्यते ।

तद्विविधं माया अविद्या भेदादित्येके ।
अपरेतु स्वाश्रयव्यामोहनाव्यामोहनरूपव्यापार-
भेदात् एकमेव वस्तु अविद्या, माया इत्युच्यते
इत्याहुः ।

Q. Venkateshachar.B, 'Srī Śrutitattvaprakāśikā of
Vādirāja, Dr.B.V. (Raghavendraraao, Basavanagudi, Bangalore,
1972, p.152, (Appendix)

Mandana holds that Avidyā is Māyā false appearance
and though not a characteristic of Brahman, is not different
from it. It is neither existent nor non-existent.
According to him it belongs to individual souls. See:
Dasagupta, S. A History of Indian Philosophy, Vol.2, p.89.

Suresvara opines that the Avidyā is based upon pure
intelligence and not an individual persons.
See; Ibid, p.101.

For detailed information of ancient scholars about
Ajñāna, refer - Dasagupta, S. 'A History of Indian Philosophy'
Vol.2, Pp.105, 110, 113, 114, and 117.

Even modern scholars, including Dasagupta and
Radhakrishnan are not well satisfied with the conception
of Ajñāna of the Advaita.

See; Dasagupta, S. 'A History of Indian Philosophy' Vol.2, p.11,
Radhakrishnan, 'Indian Philosophy', Vol,2, p.565.

It may be the inexplicable and unthinkable and contradictory nature of the concept, that has made the scholars, both ancient and modern, to postulate different views and explain in different ways. The view as it being ~~Mithya~~ in nature and application, could be known with modern scholars like T.M.P.Mahadevan.

See: Māyā is the power of Brahman. It cannot be really different from Brahman-intelligence, since, if it were really different, the spiritual texts declaring non-difference would be contradicted. Nor can it be non-different from the absolute, since identity is not possible as between the intelligent and the inert. Nor can it be both different and non-different since contradictories like difference and non-difference cannot reside in one and the same thing. Similarly, Māyā is not real, because of conflict with the spiritual declaration of non-difference. Nor is it unreal, because there would be no other primal cause of the world. It cannot be both real and unreal because of contradiction. Mahadevan T.M.P., 'The Philosophy of Advaita' Ganesh & Co., Madras) Private Ltd., Madras, 1957, p.

The saint philosopher 'Satchidanandendrasaraswati - goes to the extent of ridiculing the serious speculative discussion of the very concept:

See: Therefore, it is futile to indulge seriously in speculative discussion about its cause, locus, object or number as many Post-Śāṅkara Advaitins have done; for all these categories pertain to the magic phenomena invented by Avidyā and can never be applied to avidyā itself, which projects these phantoms.

Satchidanandendrasaraswati, 'Essays on Vedānta! Adhyatma Prakasha Karyalaya, Holenarasipura, 1971, p.48.

...

Thus, it is clear from the above discussion that, the ~~very~~ concept Ajñāna admitted by the Advaitins, is not clear for understanding as to what it is and would be. In spite of instant exercise of both; ancient and modern scholars, it has not been explained precisely and convincingly. The explanation of it is not agreeable to the reason and thought. And the conception Ajñāna itself appears to be ambiguous. It is not explained properly and faithfully as it is Mithyā. It is evident that the falsity notion of the concept has led to the origin of different views and problems since Śaṅkara till today.

450. आत्मत्वमात्रविषयाश्रयताबलेन ।

Śaṅkṣepaśārīraka , Vol.1, St.21.

Q.Sarma,V.A., 'Citsuka's contribution to Advaita'

Mysore Kavyalaya publishers, 1974, p.69.

See also:

Cfn. 12. In the later Advaita, the question also is raised about the locus (āśraya) of Avidyā. Is it the Jīva, the individual self, or Brahman, the universal self? The Bhamati school argues for Jīva and Vivaraṇa school for Brahman.

Eliot, Deutsch., 'Advaita Vedānta' , East West Center Press, Honolulu, 1969, p.33.

451. इदं रूप्यं रूप्यतात्रेत्येवं वा भ्रमविग्रहः ।

अन्योन्यधर्मानध्यस्य चान्योन्यात्मकतां तथा ॥

Y.M., Ś.S., p.10b, Ś1.48.

Cf: अन्योन्यस्मिन्नन्योन्यात्मकतां अन्योन्यधर्मादिध्यस्य ...।

Saṭśāstri, Śaṅkara: 'BrahmasūtraBhāṣya, 'Vol.1, p.12.

452. नाज्ञानमहमित्यस्ति नाज्ञानत्वं मयीत्यपि ।

भ्रमो ब्रह्मणि ते न स्यात्कथमज्ञानकल्पना ॥

Y.M., Ś.S. p.10b, Ś1.50.

453. अज्ञोदमिति तु ज्ञानं सिद्धाज्ञानस्य वेदनं ।

Ibid., S1.51.

454. Suptrā.,fn.353A.

455. नाज्ञानमन्यधर्मोयं ब्रह्माज्ञानैकवादिनः ।

Y.M.,S.S. p.10.S1.53.

456. अज्ञानारोपतस्तत्र तद्योगस्याप्यमाववाक् ।

अज्ञानारोपमूलैव स च सर्वत्र दुर्लभः ॥

Ibid.,p. S1.55:

उक्तरीत्या अज्ञानतादात्म्यारोपस्य अज्ञानत्वरूपतद्वर्मा-
रोपस्य च क्वाप्यदर्शनात् । ततश्च अज्ञानस्यानारो-
पितत्वात् तत्संसर्गस्यापि आरोपितत्वपक्षो न घटते,
घटादौ जडे अज्ञानसंसर्गरहिते तत्संसर्गप्रतीतौ संसर्गारोप-
स्यात् । न चैवं । अतः संसर्गोप्यनारोपितः ।

Bh.Vi.,Com.on.Y.M.,S.S, p.11b.

Ajñānaropa or Adhyāsa is a peculiar concept in the Advaita system. Accordingly, only one entity, that is Brahman is eternally real. And It is Cidrūpa. And remaining all is unreal. ब्रह्म सत्यं जगन्मिथ्या जीवो ब्रह्मैव नापरः॥ There is no difference between Brahman and Jīva. Brahman on account of the association of nescience, becomes Jīva. And this Ajñāna is not an independent, real and different entity. It is superimposed and hence is considered to be associated with Brahman. And this superimposition is of two kinds. One is Tādātmyāropa, second one Dharmāropa. It is also called Dharmaropa in the sense of mistaking the association of attributes of one entity with another. Looking at conch-shell, if mistaken for silver then it is Tādātmyāropa. If the attributes, Rajatatva etc., are referred, then, it is Dharmāropa or Samsargāropa.

Now to the self (Brahman), there is experience as 'Ajñānam Brahma'. Here, non-difference is not at all seen. So it is not Tādātmyaropa. If it is argued that there is Arupa then, Ajñāna and Brahman, both should be real, independent and different entities or Brahman should be the very nature of Ajñāna. Both these views are not admitted by the Advaitins. Because, according to them, Brahman is not of the nature of Ajñāna, and Ajñāna is not an independent, different real entity. Further, Dharmaropa (Samsargaropa) is also impossible, since the Ajñātatva etc, the attributes of Ajñāna, are not superimposed. For superimposition, Ajñāna must be a different real entity somewhere, and then only, its attributes could be superimposed. But, as the very concept Ajñāna is Mithyā, its association in the form of superimposition, is impossible. Thus, the cognition of experience such as 'Ajñānam Brahma' or Ahamajñāh) and Brahma, Ajñānam etc, does not contain either of these superimpositions. So the superimposition of Ajñāna is untenable.

457. तत्रैव सन्निकृष्टस्य सन्निकर्षे कथं भ्रमः ।
Y.M., S.S. p.11, Śl.57.
458. आत्मा आप्नोतेः ... नित्यशुद्धबुद्धमुक्तस्वभावः ... अद्वयः ।
Saṅkara, Aitareya Bhāṣya, I-1.
459. तेनाज्ञानान्तरं चाज्ञानस्योपोद्बलकं भवेत् ।
Y.M., S.S. p.11, Śl.59.
 अज्ञान बाहुल्ये अज्ञानस्य सुतरां प्रमेवस्यादिति भावः ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., S.S.p.11 & 12b.
460. अनाद्यज्ञानवादे च तस्याज्ञानं न किंचन ।
Y.M., S.S. p.12b, Śl.61.

461. दोषस्य भ्रमकारणत्वेन कारणस्य च पूर्वभावित्वावश्यंभावात् ।
Bh.Vi.,com.on.Y.M.S.S, p.12b.
462. भ्रमात्पूर्वो हि दोषस्त्याददोषजश्च भ्रमो भवेत् ।
Y.M.,S.S, p.12b, Śl.62.
463. अज्ञानरूपदोषेति अज्ञानभ्रमः अज्ञानभ्रमेति
 प्रतीतिकाज्ञानरूपदोषसत्त्वं इत्यन्योन्याश्रयः ।
Bh.Vi.,Com.on.Y.M, S.S. p.12b, Śl.63.
464. मायावादि वेदान्तिमते उपाध्युपहितं केवलं चैतन्यं साक्षी ।
 Jhalakikar Bhimacarya, Nyāyakośa, p.989.
See also: " In fact, Saksin is nothing other than pure consciousness reflected on the mode or Vrtti of Ajñāna. (Sākṣi cāvidyā vrttipratibimbīta caitanyam). Thus, Sākṣin is the intuitive knowledge of self and avidyā being connected to it, is always revealed to it. (Rahubāt Svavṛṭacaitanya Prakāśyavidyā). Avidyā thus being always revealed to the intuitive knowledge. The effects of Avidyā too are always revealed to intuitive knowledge".
 Gupta,S. 'Studies in the Philosophy of Madhusūdanasaraswati'.
 Sanskrit Pustaka Bhandara Calcutta, 1960, p.45.
465. जन्मैवात्य न युक्तं तद्दोषजत्वं तु दूरतः ।
Y.M.,S.S,p.12b, Śl.64.
466. सजातीयविजातीय स्वगतभेदवर्जितं निर्विशेष ब्रह्मैव तत्त्वम् ।
 Q.Venkateshachar, 'SrīŚrutitattvapraśāśikā of Vādirāja'.
 Dr.B.V.Raghavendrarao Basavanagudi, Bangalore, 1972, p.150.
 सर्वासु हि उपनिषत्सु "नेति नेति" "अस्थूलमनणु"
 इत्यादि विशेषप्रतिषेधैव निर्दिश्यते ।
 Śāṅkara - Gītābhāṣya, XIII-12.

467. यद्वपेण यन्निश्चितं तद्वपं न व्यभियरति तत् सत्यम् ।
 Śaṅkara, Taittirīyopaniṣadbhāṣya II-1.
 Sacchidanandendrasaraswati, Taittirīyopaniṣad
 Adhyatmaprakasa Karyalaya, Holenarasipur, 1973, Pp.123,124.
468. परेण ब्रह्मवत्सत्यस्य निवृत्त्यमंगीकारादिति भावः.....
 अनेन अज्ञाननिवृत्तिरूपं चरमं शाखापि
 पतिता इति दृष्टव्यम् ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M.Ś.S., p.13.
469. अज्ञानारोपमूलस्ते शास्त्रविस्तृतपादपः ।
 मूलस्य दुर्बलत्वे तु सोऽपि वाताहतः पतेत् ।
Y.M.,Ś.S., p.13b, Śl.68.
470. अज्ञानासम्भवादेव शास्त्रं सर्वं गतं तव ।
Ibid, p.13, Śl.72.
 वस्तुतस्तु मिथ्याभूताज्ञानस्यासम्भवे सत्याज्ञानस्य
 च तेनैवानंगीकारेणाज्ञानस्वपुस्त्यैवाभावात्
 तत्प्रक्रिया सर्वापि विक्रियैवाभूदिति दृष्टव्यम् ॥
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M.,Ś.S. p.14b.
471. ऐक्यसिद्धौ भवेदङ्गं ब्रह्म तस्याज्ञतावशात् ।
 जीवभावे भवेदैक्यं ततोऽन्योन्याश्रयो न किम् ॥
Y.M.Ś.S. p.14b, Śl.75.

According to the Advaita, Brahman attains the Jivabhāva by the association of Ajñāna and hence there is Aikya. If it is not associated with Ajñāna, then Aikya cannot be admitted. Thus, if Ajñāna is proved in Brahman, then the Aikya associated with it, is proved. If Aikya is proved then, Ajñāna in Brahman is proved. Thus, there is Anyonyāśraya.

Really speaking, this is not the admitted view of the Advaitins. They talk of Vyāvahārikabheda between-Brahman and Jīva. Brahman who is Bīm̐ba, owing to the Upādhi of Ajñāna, would become Pratibīm̐bajīva. Here, attributes of Bīm̐ba are said to be transferred to Prati-bīm̐ba and not vice versa. Because the knowledge is 'I am ignorant' of Jīva, which is an attribute of Pratibīm̐ba (Jīva) cannot be there in Bīm̐ba Brahman. So, even this view of Vyāvahārikalva does not help to prove Ajñāna and Aikya.

472. तान्यहं वेदस्वर्णि नत्वं वेत्थ परंतप ।
Bhagavadgītā, IV-5.

472A. जीव ईशो विशुद्धा चित् तथा जीवेशयोभिदा ।

अविद्या तच्चित्तोयौगः षडस्माकमनादयः ॥

Q. Joshi, H., 'Dharmarajadhvarindra', Vedāntaparibhāṣā, p.106.

तदज्ञानवशात् जगदीश्वरजीवरूपेण प्रतिभासते ।

Q. Venkateshachar B. 'Srutitattvapraśikā' of Vādirāja,

Dr. B. V. Raghavendrarao, Basavanagudi, Bangalore, 1972, p.151.

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अपि च मिथ्याज्ञानपुरस्सरो यमात्मनो बुद्ध्युपाधिसम्बन्धः ।

Sāṅkara, Br. Sū. Bhā-II-iii-30.

यावदेव चायं बुद्ध्युपाधिसम्बन्धः अतावज्जीवस्य जीवत्वं संसारित्वं च ।

Ṣaṭśāstri, 'Sāṅkara: Brahmasūtra bhāṣya' (Br. Sū. Bhā-II-iii-30)

Vol. I, p. 583, 584.

473. अज्ञानसिद्धौ तत्कल्प्यो जीवसिद्धेन्नवान्यथा ।

... तस्मादज्ञानकल्पितः ॥

जीवोऽवश्यं त्वयावाच्यः कथं नान्योन्यसंश्रयः ।

Y. M., S. S., p. 16b, & 16, Ślokaś 84 & 85.

474. जीवानुभूतमज्ञानं सर्वज्ञ केन नीयते ।

Ibid, p. 17 Śl. 93.

475. Ajñāna is of two types, Bhāvarūpa and Abhāvarūpa (Positive and Negative).. When a perceptible thing makes the other one disappear, the Ajñāna of that is Bhāvarūpa. When, [] the knowledge of the existence of an object and peculiar characteristics are unknown, that is the Ajñāna of Abhāvarūpa.

476. अहमेशे नते ज्ञानं किन्त्वानन्दादिके परम् ।

...

अप्येदकतज्ज्ञाने भव एव पुनर्भवः ।

Y.M., S.S. p.18b, & 18. Ślokas, 97 & 98.

477. वाच्योऽवच्छेदकादीनां अज्ञानं तु विशेषतः ।

Ibid, p.18, Śl.101.

478. ज्ञानाभावपदार्थस्य सर्वथाभाव एव चेत् ।

अत्यन्ताभावशून्यं तज्ज्ञानं स्यात्परमार्थतः ॥

Ibid, p.19b, Śl.103.

अत्यन्ताभावाभावे तत्प्रतियोगित्वस्य

सुतरामभावेन सत्यत्वापरिहारादिति भावः ।

Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., S.S..p.19b,

479. सर्वथाऽज्ञातस्य वस्तुनोऽसम्भवात् ।

सर्वथाऽज्ञाते वस्तुनि प्रमाणाभावात् । विद्यमानस्य

ज्ञानात्यन्ताभावस्य ज्ञानमपि घटनीयम् ।

Ibid.

480. नित्यज्ञानमते ज्ञानसामान्याभाव एव न ।

Y.M., S.S. p.19, Śl.109.

480A. यक्षुषा ब्रह्म विज्ञानस्याभावोऽज्ञानमुच्यते ।

Ibid.

480B. वेदान्तास्तत्स्वरूपसमर्पणे प्रमाणम् इति व्यवहारस्तु
 तस्मिन्नध्यारोपिताहंप्रत्ययविषयत्वापनयनमात्रेणेति ज्ञेयम् ।
 Sacchidanandendrasaraswati - 'Vedāntaparakriyāpratyabhiññā.
 Adhyatma Prakasnana Karyalaya, Holenarasipura, 1964,p.43.
 'वेदा अवेदाः' (बृ.उ.. IV-iii-22) इतिवचनात्,
 दृश्यते स्वात्माभिः श्रुतेरप्यभावः प्रबोधे ।
 Br.Sū.Bhā.IV-i-3. Śaṭśāstri, Śaṅkara, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya,
 Vol.2, p.966.

481. अतो मम मतेऽज्ञानज्ञानस्य दौर्घ्यमेव न ।
Y.M., S.S., p.20, Śl.113.

In the Dvaita view, the Viśeṣajñānābhāva does not
 set aside the would be happening Brahmadarśana (direct
 cognition of Brahman). The direct cognition of Brahman
 becomes possible, when the prescribed Sādhana of a
 qualified soul is completed. As Brahman is an embodiment
 of infinite knowledge and auspicious qualities, even after
 His direct cognition Viśeṣajñānābhāva remains in case of
 that soul subject to the limited ability as an eligibility
 since possessing limited knowledge.

482. परासिनातिकूरेण या ह्यविद्या क्षतापि न ।
 यतो ब्रह्मचिता नाशो नाज्ञानस्य भवन्मते ॥
 ससन्तानासिना मन्दधारेण छिद्यते किल ।
 अविद्यमनोरूपविद्ययानाशक्रीर्तनात् ॥
Y.M., S.S. p.20 & 21b.Ślokas, 115 & 116.

483. मनसोपि हि चिद्योगाच्छक्तिरर्थप्रकाशने।
 अज्ञाननाशने स्याच्छक्तिस्तद्योगतः परम् ॥
Ibid, p.21b, Śl.117.

484. भ्रमकल्प्यं हि सर्वं ते कालादुष्टादिकं जगत् ।
 भ्रमस्यनित्यसिद्धत्वात्किं किं न स्यात्सदातव ।
Ibid, p.22b., Śl.121.

485. मायां तु प्रकृतिं विधान्मायिनं तु महेश्वरम् । ॥ स्वेकउ. 4-10 ॥
यथा कुलालश्चक्रीत्यात्तथा मायी तथा सृजन् ॥
Ibid., p.22b & 22, Śl.123.

चक्रीपदवाच्यस्य कुलालस्य चक्रेण संबन्धाभावात्
मायिपदवाच्यस्य भगवतो मायया संबन्धाभावात् ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., Ś.S.p.22.

486. सर्वज्ञं खलु तद्ब्रह्म कथमज्ञानपदभवेत् ।
Y.M., Ś.S. ; p.22, Śl.125.

अतः सर्वज्ञः अज्ञानवानिति मतं मातावन्ध्या इतिवत्
व्याहतमिति भावः ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., Ś.S. p.23b.

- 486A. तद्द्वयसंग्रहेः ... निरवच्छ्रितिसमाख्यया
दोषरूपगुणासंग्रहः ... ।
Bh.Vi., Com.on.Y.M., Ś.S, p.24b.

- 486B. ... असंगो ह्ययं पुरुषः । Bṛih.Up.VI-iii-15- ॥ Ś.Bhā...
न हि अमूर्तः कश्चित्क्रियावान्दृश्यते । अमूर्तश्चात्मा,
अतोऽसंगः । यस्माच्चासंगो यं पुरुषस्तस्मादनन्वागतस्तेन
स्वप्नदृष्टेन । अत एव न क्रियाकर्तृत्वमस्य कथंचिदुपपद्यते ।
कार्यकारणसंश्लेषेण हि कर्तृत्वं स्यात्तस्य च संश्लेषः
संगोऽस्य नास्ति यतोऽसंगो ह्ययं पुरुषः ॥

Bhagavat, H.R. 'Śaṅkara: Bṛihadāraṇyakopaniṣadbhāṣya',
Astekar & Co, Poona, 1918, p.352.

487. यदिस्वभावतोऽसंग इत्यर्थस्तस्याच्छेतेस्तव ।
मायाप्युपाधितोऽसंग इति स्यादुक्तयुक्तितः ।
Y.M., Ś.S., p.23, Śl.130.

- 487A. See; अवरत्वादिधर्मनियन्तृत्वं तत्तादात्म्यवत्त्वं
चेतिद्विविधमवरत्वादि । "निरनिष्ठो निरवयवः" इत्यादि श्रुतेः... ।
Q.Madhva, Nyāyavivaraṇam (Sarvamūlāgranthah) ABMM, Bangalore.
p.53.

488. किंचसार्वज्ञमज्ञानसापेक्षमितियद्वयः ।
 मूकोहमितिवत्तच्चविरुद्धमितिमे मतिः ॥
Ibid, p:24, Śl.136.
489. मायां व्युदस्यचिच्छक्त्या कैवल्ये स्थित आत्मानि ...।
Bhāg.I-vii-23.
490. यदभातं न तदज्ञातमितियत्त्वत्त्वदीपने ।
 स्वयमप्याहसार्वज्ञाज्ञत्वे तद्दूरदूरे ॥
Y.M.,S.S, p.25b, Śl.139.
491. अज्ञताखिलसंवेत्तुर्धृते न कुतश्चन । =(Upādhi.kh)
 इत्युक्तमत स्वार्थः कार्यधर्ममहात्माभिः ॥
Ibid, p.25b, Śl.140.
- 491A. Cf: अ इत्युक्तो हरिस्तस्य विद्या विधेति संजिता ।
Madhva. Viṣṇutatvanirṇaya (Sarvamūlāgranthāḥ)Vol,5,p.30.
492. न ब्रह्मणि मनोप्यस्ति तस्याज्ञानं तु केन तत् ।
Ibid, Śl.142.
 स्वरूपज्ञानं प्रति अविरोधित्वात् मानसज्ञानस्य च
 ब्रह्मप्यभावात् न द्वेधापि तस्याज्ञानमिति भावः ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M.,S.S. p.25.
493. कथमावरणेस्त्येवान्यस्याप्यपरोक्षधीः ।
 ज्ञानोत्पत्तिविरोध्येव यस्मादावरणं विदुः ॥
Y.M.,S.S. p:26b, Śl.148.
 अज्ञानावृते ब्रह्मणि जीवस्यापरोक्षवृत्तिरेव
 नोत्पत्तुमर्हति ।
Bh.Vi.,com.on.Y.M.,S.S.p.26b.

493A. Q.Madhva.Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, p.162.

See: दर्शनाच्च । (III-iii-49).

न केवलं विद्यया, किन्तु ? अपरोक्षज्ञानेनैव च ।

"सर्वान् परो मायया यं सिनीते दृष्ट्वैव तं

मुच्यते नापरेण" इति कैशिक श्रुतेः ॥

494. Really speaking in the Advaita as Brahman alone is real and as It is associated with Ajñāna, It is the locus of Ajñāna. Some post-Sankara Advaitins argued that Jiva is the locus of Ajñāna: (See for details: Supra) Here, it matters not much difference and create confusion since in the Advaita, Brahman and Jiva are identical in nature. Further, as there is nothing real other than Brahman, in the advaita, the view that Ajñāna is Viṣayāśrita is not sound. But, here taking in to account the empirical reality of the objects of the world, the view is taken for consideration and refutation. The objects of the world are the illusory creations. The Viṣayāśritatva of Ajñāna is talked of and related to, with the idea that the Ajñāna is the veil as it conceals the objects.

See; "The illusory creations were there, but they could not be manifested an account of the veil of nescience".

....." The Ajñāna is one, but it seems to obstruct the pure Cit in various aspects or modes, with regard to which it may be said that the Ajñāna has many states as constituting the individual experiences of the indefinite with reference to the diverse individual objects of experience".

Dasagupta, S. 'A History of Indian Philosophy', Vol.1, Pp.449, & 458.

495. विषयाश्रितमज्ञानं यथावरणमिष्यते ।

तद्वैकृत्या तन्नाशे सर्वदृश्येत वस्तुवत् ॥

Y.M., S.S. p.28. Ś1.165.

496. यद्यज्ञानान्तरं तन्नपुनरावरणं भवेत् ।
तर्हि केनापि तद्वस्तु न दृश्येतावृत्तत्वं ॥
Ibid. Śl.167.
497. ततस्तस्मादिदं पुरुषवैचित्र्येण आवरणं
अप्रामाणिकमितिसम्बन्धः ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M., S.S.p.29b.
- 497A. Since, Ajñāna is not Mithyā in the Dvaita, it is understood as wrong knowledge unlike the Ajñāna (nescience) in the Advaita, which is Mithyā. The usages nescience and wrong knowledge are used to know the difference of sense as Mithyā and Satya with regard to Ajñāna.
498. अतःपुंगवमेवेदं तमः सत्या हि तामसाः ।
Y.M., S.S. p.29b, Śl.170.
इदं प्रमाप्रतिबन्धकं तमः अज्ञानं पुंगवमेव, ज्ञातृपुरुषनिष्ठमेव ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M.S.S.,p.29b.
499. ज्ञानं तु ज्ञातृपुंस्येव तन्नाशयाज्ञानमप्यतः ।
वक्तव्यं ज्ञातृपुरुषे ब्रह्मणि स्यात्कथं वद ॥
Y.M., S.S. p.29, Śl.173.
500. प्रमाता जीव स्वेति जीवाज्ञानमभूद्वित् ।
Ibid, p.30b, Śl.175.
- 500A. प्रमाणैतन्यस्य विषयैतन्यादभेद इति ब्रह्मः ।।
तथा तैजसमन्तः करणमपि चक्षुरादिद्वारा
घटादिविषयदेशं गत्वा घटादिविषयाद्याकारेण परिणमते ।
Com: तथा संचिद्वात् अन्तःकरणाशयात्
चक्षुः प्रणाल्या बहिः निर्गतमन्तःकरणं
विषयदेशं गत्वा विषयाकाराकारि भवति ।
Joshi, H. Dharmarajadvarindra Vedāntaparibhāṣa with com. Pp.33,35 & 36.

501. चक्षुषासन्निकृष्टार्थज्ञानं स्यादन्तरेव हि ।
Ibid., Śl.176.

502. मनो यात्रा तु जीवस्य यात्राकालेपरं भवेत् ।
 अन्तःकरणमेतस्मादन्तःकार्यकरं हि तत् ॥
Ibid., p.30.Śl.179.

The mind that gains the knowledge of the Lord and of Vaikuntha, cannot go to Vaikuntha, whereas it cognizes the presence of Lord inside and gains the knowledge of Him. Even at the dawn of direct cognition of the Lord (Aparokṣajñāna), mind need not go out of the body (to the Vaikuntha). So moving of mind out of the body is possible with soul where there is no return of the soul to the same.

503. अतो ज्ञानवदज्ञानमात्तरं साक्षिणो बलात् ।
 एकदेशत्वमनयो नाशयनाशकयोर्ध्वम् ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.30, Śl.180.

504. अनादिमाययासुप्तो यदाजीवः प्रबुध्यते ।
 Māṇḍ.Up.(Gauḍapāda Kārikā) I.16.
Q.Y.M., S.S.P. Śl.182.

504A. संविदाश्रयत्वेनैवात्मनः प्रत्यक्षत्वम्, न तु कर्मत्वम्,
 कर्मकर्तृभावस्य भिन्नाश्रयत्वनियमात्, अतः आह-
 यो पितृश्राद्धरूपेणसिद्धिं सर्वासु वृत्तिषु । ब्रुवाणः,
 कर्मभावेन नेमं प्रत्यक्षमिच्छति ॥

Anantakrishna Sastri, N.S. & Ramamurthi Sastri :

'Nyāyacandrikā of Ānandapūrṇamunīndra with com. G.O.M.L.,
 Madras.1959.

505. परमते कर्तृकर्मभावविरोधांगीकारात् प्रमेये ब्रह्मणि
 प्रमातृत्वं न जीवैक्येनापि नेतुं शक्यते ॥
Bh.Vi.com.on., Y.M., S.S., p.31b.

506. नयेत्सर्वैक्यतत्सर्वं अस्तव्यस्तमभूत्तव ।
Y.M., S.S., p.31b, Śl.184.
 विवादपदमज्ञानं ज्ञातुं निष्ठं ज्ञानसमानाश्रयत्वात् ।
Bh.Vi., Com.on.Y.M., S.S. p.31b,
- 506A. शुक्तिकाद्यज्ञानं रजताद्युपादानम् । तस्मिन् सत्येव
 तददर्शनात् । तदन्यस्योपादानत्वासम्भवात् ।
 नियमेनाज्ञानदशायामनुभूयमानस्य
 तदुपादानकत्वस्यैव वक्तव्यत्वाच्च ।
 Narayanaswami Sastri 'Nṛsiṃhamiśra' Vedāntatattvaviveka
 with coms., Oriental Research Institute, Mysore-1955,
 Pp.473 & 474.
507. अतो जगत्सर्जनार्थमपि नाज्ञानमिष्यते ।
 ...
 मायी मायाधीश्वरत्वादगोमान्गोपालको यथा ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.31b, Śl.186.
508. जीवस्तु मायया सुप्तत्वान्नस्वानन्दादि वीक्षते ॥
 मायाभावे सतीक्षत तस्माज्जीवाश्रितैव सा ।
Ibid, p.31, Śl.187.
509. एवमज्ञानमप्यानन्दानुभवप्रतिबन्धकमप्यहमिति
 स्वरूपमात्रानुभवे न प्रतिबन्धकमिति भावः ।
Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M.S.S., p.31.
 सा सत्याप्रकृतेरश्रुता जीवेषु तिष्ठति ।
Y.M., S.S. p.31, Śl.189.
510. जीवस्याच्छादिका त्वेका परस्याच्छादिका परा ।
 द्वयं जीवगतं नित्यं हरिस्तुभयमोचकः ॥
Ibid, p.32b, Śl.191.

See also;

अनान्ये प्रकृती दुष्टे नृषु प्रास्ताविकं स्थिते ।
स्वगुणाच्छादिकात्वेका परमाच्छादिकापरा ॥
स्वगुणाच्छादिकां हत्वा परमाच्छादिकां परः ।
व्याधुदय मोक्षपदवीं ददाति पुरुषोत्तमः ॥

Madhva, Bhāgavat Tātparya. (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ, Vol. 3) p. 561.

511. निगडेन निबद्धान्निर्नहि राजाविमोचकः ।
Y.M., Ś.S., p.32b, Śl.192.
512. धाम्ना स्वेन सदानिरस्तकुहकं सत्यं परं धीमही ॥ Bhāg-I-1-1.
सदा निरस्तकुहकं सत्यं परं धीमहीति भगवतो निरस्तकुहकत्वोक्त्या
परं केवलं तामपि कुहकविधारूप मायां नोरीचकुरितिसम्बन्धः ।
Bh.Vi., Com.on.Y.M., Ś.S., p.32.
513. स्वदोषाच्छादनायात्पो निर्दोषेष्वपि तं वदेत् ।
जीवसम्भवदज्ञानं ब्रह्मण्यपि न किं जगुः ॥
Y.M., Ś.S., p.36, Śl.196.
स्वस्याज्ञानित्वेनागतनैच्य परिहाराय ब्रह्मण्यज्ञानं
जगुः । न तु प्रमाणबलादिति भावः ॥
Bh.Vi., Com.on.Y.M., Ś.S., p.32.
514. मामहं न विजानामि मां जानाम्यहमित्यपि ।
सर्वस्यानुभवात्स्वस्य विषयोपि स्वयं भवेत् ॥
Y.M., Ś.S., p.33, Śl.201.
- 514A. असतः फलस्य उत्पादकम् कर्म । ...
कर्म अस्माभिः इतिकर्तव्यतायुक्तं फलसाधनं दृष्टम् ।
Kevalanandasaraswati, 'Mīmāṃsākośa' Vol. III, p.1395.
परमवेतक्रियाफलशालि । ... । यथा देवदत्तः
ग्रामं गच्छतीत्यादौ ग्रामः कर्म ।
Jhalakikar Bhimacarya, 'Nyāyakośa' p.207.
515. परस्मिन्समवेता या क्रिया तत्फलशालियत् ।
Ibid, Śl.202.

515A. Advaitins slip into self-contradiction because they declare difference between Karma, Kartr and Bhāva in one place and negate the difference in another place.

In the Advaita, Brahman is Svaprakāśa. It cannot realize itself. It will not become an object of Its knowledge. If it becomes an object of knowledge, then they are supposed to accept the difference between the two. They say that Brahman is the substratum of knowledge. It has the cognition as being the substratum of knowledge and never as being an object of knowledge.

संविदाश्रयत्वेनैवात्मनः प्रत्यक्षत्वम्,

न तु कर्मत्वम्, कर्मकर्तृभावस्य भिन्नाश्रयत्वनियमात् ।

See Supra:

In defence of Svaprakāśatva of Brahman, Advaitins do not wish to have the relation of subject and object.

If the subject, the object and the action are considered to be same then the Advaita, unlike Dvaita has to accept the Pramātrtva and the like of Sākṣin in Brahman. But in the Dvaita it is the Viśeṣa with the help of which one and the same can be the Subject and Object for one and the same action. The Advaita, not desirous of admitting Pramātrtva etc, of Saksin, prefer the difference between Karma, Kartr and Bhava. Whereas in defending the Svaprakasa view, the Advaita denies the above mentioned view of relation.

It is to be noted clearly that, the denial of relation of subject and object by the Advaitins is also in defence of their view of superimposition. Since they declare that the subject-object relation (Jñāna-Jñeyarupa-relation) cannot be applied and attributed to Brahma. If something might be real as an object, then only the said relation would be possible. As everything is Mithyā and superimposed the above mentioned relation cannot be talked of.

Thus, the Advaita accepting the view of difference between Karma, Kartṛ and Bhāva, is similar to the view of that of Prābhākaras. And, the view of disregarding the very relation is similar to the view of that of Bhāttas.

See for details:

Chatterji and Datta; 'An Introduction to Indian Philosophy'
Pp:

516. ग्रामस्थधनपूर्वार्थप्राप्तिरेव प्रयोजनम् ।
न चेत्पदे पदे पुंसः क्रिययास्याद्विभागवान् ।
पूर्वप्रदेशसंयोगशाली स्यादुत्तरोपि च ।
त्वदुक्तलक्षणे न स्याद्विषयत्वं तयोरपि ॥
अतः स्वरूपसम्बन्धविशेषस्य हि कश्चन ॥
Y.M.S.S Pp.345 & 34. Ślokas 206, 207 and 208.
517. तथा च परसमवेतक्रियाफलशालित्वं घटै अव्याप्तत्वात्
न विषयलक्षणमित्यर्थः । अतस्त्वरूपसम्बन्धविषय एव
विषयत्वं सर्वैः वाच्यम् । स च स्वरूपे सुतरां घटते
इति कुतो न ज्ञानस्य स्वकर्मत्वम् ।
Bh.Vi.com.on. Y.M., S.S., p.34 & 35b.
518. ज्ञानस्य विषयत्वं तज्ज्ञाततास्यान्न चापरा ।
Y.M., S.S., p.35b, Śl.210.
- 518A. स्वयमेवात्मनात्मानं वेत्त्यत्वं पुरुषोत्तम ।
Bhagavadgītā, X-15.
अत्र स्वयमेवेत्युक्त्या स्वस्यैव कर्तृत्वं, आत्मानं
इत्युक्त्या स्वस्यैव कर्मत्वम् ।
Bh.Vi, com.on Y.M, s.s.p,

519. ज्ञानंप्रत्यक्षपराङ्मोक्षमितिबाह्यार्थधीस्थले ।
 नान्तरे यन्मनोज्ञाने ज्ञेयप्रत्यक्षपरस्तव ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.35, Śl.215.
 ज्ञानरूपे तु वस्तुनि आत्मादौ स्वस्यैव ज्ञानता ज्ञेयता च।
Bh.Vi.com.on., Y.M., S.S., p.36b.
 ज्ञानरूपं तु यद्वस्तु स्वेनापिज्ञेयमेव तत् ।
Y.M., S.S., 36b, Śl.217.

519A. Viśeṣa:

"It is a differentiating or pluralising agency which serves at the same time to exhibit the pluralities as flowing centripetally towards a given object which happens to occupy the focus of attention on account of a dominant pragmatic interest at the moment. It renders possible the validity of countless viewpoints while the object itself retains its unity, independence and integrality".

"The function of Viśeṣas in Madhva's philosophy, is not merely to distinguish, but to unify the part and the whole, and to render a distinction of reference..."
 "It is Svanirvahaka, self-explicable, self-contained and self-related".

Sharma, B.N.K., 'Philosophy of Sri Madhvacarya' Pp.48 & 56.

520. अवान्तर विशेषेण एकस्य क्रियाकर्मभाव
 घटना इति भावः ।
 एवमेकस्यैवात्मनः स्वज्ञानप्रयत्नदशायां कर्मत्वं च ।
Bh.Vi, Com.on.Y.M., S.S., p.37b.

- 520A. स्वयं प्रकाशत्वमखंडवस्तुनः
 स्वभावसिद्धं श्रुतियुक्तिनिश्चितम् ॥
 Shastri S.K. Sadananda & Pratyaktattvacintāmanih. with com.,
 Achyutagranthamala Karyalaya, Kasi - Samvat.1988 p.305.

521. अन्यानजानन्नप्यन्धो जानात्यहमितिस्फुटं ।

स्वपरज्ञानशून्यो सौ घटस्यादथवा पटः ॥

Y.M., Ś.S., p.40b, Śl.239.

असौ मुक्तिदशायां विद्यमानः परमात्मा स्वपर-

ज्ञानशून्यः मुक्तत्वादेव परज्ञानशून्यः स्वावेद्य-

त्वादेव स्वज्ञानशून्यश्च जात इति ।

Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., Ś.S., p.40b.

522. ज्ञानस्वरूपतामात्रं व्यवहारे प्रयोजकम् ।

Y.M., Ś.S., p.40, Śl.244.

522A. "बलमानन्द ओजश्च सहोज्ञानमनाकुलम् ।

स्वरूपाण्येव जीवस्य व्यज्यन्ते परमाद् विभोः ॥"

इति गौपवनश्रुतिः ।

Madhva. Brahmasūtrabhāṣya (II-iii-30)

(Sarvamūlagranthāḥ) p.181.

अनुभूयते सुखमनन्तसखैः

सकलैरलम्भतिपदं सततम् ।

Narayana Pandita' Sumadhva vijaya' p.243, Ch.XI, Śl.24.

यत्रानन्दाश्च मोदाश्च मुद प्रमुद आसते ।

स्वधा च यत्र तृप्तिश्च तत्र माममृतं कृधि ॥

(RV.IX-113-1).

523. न चेदपुरुषार्थत्वं मुक्तेस्त्यादुक्तवर्त्मना ।

तस्मात्स्वरूपानन्दस्य नानुभूतिः कथं तदा ॥

Y.M., Ś.S., p.41b, Śl.248.

524. स्वगोचरत्वमेवातो वक्तव्यास्वप्रकाशता ।

आनर्थक्यं न चेन्मुक्तेस्त्वप्रकाशपदस्य च ॥

स्वस्य प्रकाशो यस्य त्यात्स्वप्रकाशं तदेव हि ॥

Ibid, p.41b, Ślokas 249 & 250.

524A. Supra, Fn. 518A.

524B. तस्य इन्द्रजालकुशलस्येव माययोपादानत्वं पपत्तेः ।...
 ब्रह्मणो मायाशबलितस्य मूलप्रकृतिताद्विश्रौती ।
 ...
 अतो मायाशबलितं ब्रह्मैव मूलप्रकृतिः ।

Sāstrigal Jagadīśvara, Kalyāṇasundara Ānandānubhava'
Nyāyaratnadīpāvalih with com.Vēdanta Viveka by Ānandagiri.
 G.O.M.L, Madras 1961; Pp.89,90,92,93.

525. नित्यशुद्धं तु यद्ब्रह्म परब्रह्म तदेव हि ।
 नित्यशुद्धश्च भगवान् नित्यमुक्तो ममप्रभुः ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.41b, S1.251.
 नित्यमुक्तत्वं च सर्वदासंसाररहितचेतनत्वम् ।
 नित्यशुद्धत्वं च अज्ञानभ्रमादिदोषरहित चेतनत्वम् ।
 मुक्तस्याज्ञानादि दोषान्धत्वं सर्ववादिसम्प्रतिषन्म ॥
Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M., S.S., p.41.

525A. तव ब्रह्मत्वविद्याख्यदोषेण कलिलं सदा ।
 अनादिकालमारभ्य देहेदेहे च संसरेत् ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.41, S1.252.

526. ब्रह्मत्वमागृहादेव जीवचैतन्यमेव तत् ।
Y.M., S.S., p.41, S1.253.
 नहि पादे वेदनावश्नन्यत्र तदभाववान् पुरुषो
 वेदनान्मुक्तः इत्युच्यते ।
Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M., S.S. p.41.

527. द्वास्तुपर्णा सयुजा सखाया
 समानं वृक्षं परिषस्वजाते ।
 तयोरन्यः पिप्पलं स्वाद्वत्ति
 अनश्नन्नन्यो अभिवाकशीति ॥
Mund.Up.III-I-1.

528. In the 'Samsāra! both Jiva and the Lord abide in the same 'Prākṛta' body. But, Jīva enjoys the fruits of his deeds may be good or bad, Whereas the Lord without eating the fruit of any action enshines himself. In the state of liberation also, as Jīva has 'Aprākṛta' body, the Lord lives with him. There also, it is the Jīva who enjoys the limited bliss of his own and not the Lord. Thus, in the both states, Lord is unaffected and unchangable. He is eternally Paripūrṇa in Himself and enjoys unlimited bliss of His own forever.

529. बन्धमिथ्यात्वतोमुक्तमस्तु बद्धं कथं भवेत् ।
Y.M., S.S., p.42b, Śl.256.

530. अतो बद्धोपरस्तस्मिन्नित्यमुक्तोपि चापरः ।
इत्येव सर्वथावाच्यं इत्थं सूत्रकृदाह हि ॥
Ibid, p.42, Śl.258.

530A. See; स्थित्यदनाभ्याम् च । Br.Sū.(I-iii-7)

530B. Bhāgavat.XI-xi-1.

531. सत्त्वरजस्तम इति गुणा जीवस्य नैवमे ।
इतित्रिगुणभूतत्वं स्वस्योक्त्वा हरिरंजसा ।
स्वाधीनगुणतो बन्धो जीवस्यैवेति शंसति ।
Y.M., S.S., p.42, Śl.261.

531A. Infra, fn.532.

532. बद्धो मुक्त इति ह्याख्या गुणतो मे न वस्तुतः ।
गुणस्यमायामूलत्वान्नमे मोक्षो न बन्धनम् ॥
मदधीनगुणाज्जीवे बद्धाख्या न स्वभावतः ।
इति पूर्वार्धे वाक्यार्थो मे धनाज्जीवतीति वत् ॥
Y.M., S.S. p43b, Śl.262 & 263.

532A. श्रीधरस्वामि।

*नित्यमुक्तो नित्यबद्ध एक एवेति मे भ्रमः

इति यदुक्तं तत्किं वस्तुतो विरोधः प्रतीतितो वा

नाद्यः, बन्धमोक्षयोर्वस्तिवत्त्वाभावादित्याह बद्धो मुक्त इति द्वाभ्याम् ।

Shastri Krishnashankara, 'Śrīmadbhāgavatamahāpurāṇam '

Sri Bhagavat vidyapeetha Divyagiri Sola, Ahemadabad, 1973, p.482.

533. कथंचित् बन्धमात्रस्य मिथ्यात्वसम्भवेऽपि बन्धनिवृत्तिरूपमुक्तत्वस्य मिथ्यात्वासम्भवेन न वस्तुत इत्यस्य अस्मदुक्तरित्यैवार्थः त्वयापि वक्तव्यः। अस्मन्मते तु बन्धस्य बन्धध्वंसदशाया-
मभावेन बन्धध्वंसस्य बन्धदशायामभावेन उभयोरप्यसदातनत्वा-
दस्वाभाविकत्वमिति ।

Bh.VI, com.on.Y.M., S.S, p.43.

534. प्रकृतिमूला हि गुणाः । अप्राकृते मयि प्रकृतिमूल-
गुणाभावेन बन्धो बन्धान्मोक्षश्च कथं स्यादित्यर्थः ।
गुणस्य मायामूलत्वात् मायायाश्च मायाव्युदस्य
चित्ररूपक्या इति श्रुत्या मध्यभावात् तन्मूलगुणाभावः ।
गुणाभावे तन्मूलबन्धाभावः । बन्धाभावे च
प्रतियोगिसत्तापूर्वक बन्धध्वंसाख्य मोक्षाभावश्च ।
अतो नित्यमुक्त एवाहम् । जीवस्तुबद्ध इति भावः ।
Ibid, pp.43, 44b.

534A. Mund.Up. III-I-1.

535. स्वभिन्नांशस्य जीवाख्य खगस्यैकस्यैकेवलम् ।
बन्धश्चबन्धान्मोक्षश्च न स्वस्येत्याह स प्रभुः ।
अतो जीवस्य बद्धत्वं मुक्तत्वं च परात्मनः ।
नित्यमुक्तत्वमेवेति।
Y.M., S.S, p.44, 45b, Slokas 267 & 269.

535A. तदधीनत्वादर्थवत् । (Br.Sū.I-vi-3)

तदधीनत्वाच्याव्यक्तत्वादीनां तस्यैवाव्यक्तत्व-
परावरत्वादि कमर्थवत् ।

"यदधीनोगुणोन्यस्य तद्गुणी सो भिधीयते ।

यथा जीवः परात्मेति यथाराजा जयीत्यपि ।"

इति च स्कान्दे ॥

Madhva.Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, p.48.

536. स्वातन्त्र्यगुणतो बद्धाद्याख्यां व्याख्यान्ति मे बुधाः ।

बन्धादिवस्तुतस्तत्तन्नाम बन्धोज्झितस्य मे ।

Y.M., S.S, p.47b, Ś1.284.

यथा राजाजयीत्यत्र भटनिष्ठजयनियामकतया

राज्ञि जयशब्दप्रयोगः । एवं जीवनिष्ठबन्धादि

नियामकतया भगवति बद्धदुःखादि शब्दप्रयोगा-

दितिभावः ।

Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M.,p.47.

537. अस्वतन्त्रस्य जीवस्य बद्धाद्याख्या तु वस्तुतः ।

इति सूचयिता चात्र मुक्तामुक्तद्वितोदिता ॥

Y.M., S.S, p.47, Ś1.286.

538. इत्थं प्रमाया विषयः प्रमिनन्तीति च श्रुतौ ।

श्रुतो बन्धः कथं मिथ्या सत्त्वं हि ज्ञानदो गुणः ॥

Ibid, p.48, Ś1.290.

539. प्रमातारोपि बन्धस्य प्रमिन्वन्ति न ते हरिम् ।

अतो ह्यविद्यया बन्धः इत्युक्तं न मृषात्वतः ॥

Y.M., S.S, p.49b, Ś1.292.

540. अजोनुबद्धस्सगुणैर्न वेदत्वां गुणात्परम् ।

सत्त्वं रजस्तम इति भवन्ति प्रकृतेर्गुणाः ॥

एषु प्राकृताः प्रोक्ता आब्रह्मस्थावरादयः ॥

Ibid, p.50, Ś1.294 (Bhāg-X-40-3)

- 540A. अनादिकालतः सर्वं दोषजीना गुणाधिकाः ।
 सर्वजीवश्रेष्ठयो ये तेहिवायुत्वमाप्नुयुः ।
 अजवो नाम ये देवा देवानामपि देवताः ॥
 Madhva, 'Mahābhāratātātmaparyanirṇaya' (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ)
 Vol.II, p.460, (h.32, Ślokas 72 & 73).
- 540B. *अपूर्णतादि भावो वा दुःखं वानास्ति किंचन ।
 मुक्तस्य पारतन्त्र्येऽपि तारतम्येष्वत सुखी * ति च श्रुतिः ।
 Madhva, Nyāyavivarṇa, (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ) p.209.
541. Bhagavadgītā-IV-14, & IX-9.
 इति कृष्णेन गीतायां कर्मबद्धत्वमात्मनः ।
 जीवानां गुणबद्धत्वं चोक्तं वाक्यद्वयेन हि ॥
 Y.M., Ś.S, p.51b, Ślokas 299,300 and 201.
- 541A. Rgveda X-90-2'.
542. सोमृतस्याभ्यस्येशो मर्त्यमन्नं यदत्यगात् ।
 परान्तकाले सर्वेऽपि विमुच्यन्ते परामृतात् ॥
Bhāg.II-6-17.
 उतामृतत्वस्येक्षानो यदन्येनातिरोहति ॥
Rgveda.X-90.2.
 संसारिणामीश्वरत्वान्मुक्तानामपिीश्वरः ।
 मुक्ताश्च नित्यमुक्तान नित्यमुक्तस्तदापिराद् ॥
 Y.M.,Ś.S, p.51b, Śl.304.
543. मुक्तोपि बद्धो यस्तस्मान्नित्यबद्धोऽप्यसौ भवेत् ॥
Ibid, p.51, Śl.305.

544. There is difference of opinion among scholars regarding the attainment of the goal (liberation) by Madhyamajivas. Others say that these souls remain in Samsāra eternally enjoying mixed experience. But Vādirāja states that they too get released of Samsāra. That means they also attain prescribed goal (state) but they will have the mixed experience of pleasure and displeasure there also.

नित्यसंसारिणो ये तु मध्यमास्ते प्रकीर्तिताः ।

सदा संसृतिबद्धाश्च गुणदोषोभयात्मकाः ॥ 70

Anandatīrthācārya, 'Sattatvaratnamālā' with com.,

T.R.Krishnacharya:Madhva Vilas Book Depot, Madras, 1918.p.29.

545. ब्रह्मवद्वा मोक्षवद्वा यन्नित्यं तत्कथं मृषा ।
Y.M., S.S, p.52, B. Śl.308.

546. अनुत्तीर्णस्त्वयं पंकात्किमन्योत्तारको भवेत्
यदि बद्धं परं ब्रह्म कः स्याद्बन्धस्य मोचकः ॥
Ibid, p.52, Śl.313.

- 546A. तत्रापि क्रमयोगेन ज्ञानाधिकात् समीपगाः ।
सालोक्यं च सरूपत्वं सामीप्यं योगमेव च ।
... सयुजः परमात्मानं प्रविश्य च बहिर्गताः ।
Madhva, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ) Pp.226 & 227.
... सालोक्यं चेति । समानलोकस्थत्वं सालोक्यं
समीपस्थत्वं सामीप्यं चतुर्भुजत्वादिरूपसाम्यं
सारूप्यं भगवद्गमप्रवेशः सायुज्यं योगश्च च ...।
Magadi Ranganathachar. Madhva, 'Brahmasūtrabhāṣyam' with
Dīpikā of Jagannatha, Bhāsyadīpikāprakāśana samīti' 1965,
Part-IV, p.114.

As it is said these four types of liberation are wholly concerned and conditioned by the fact of gradation in the aquisition of true knowledge. Sālokya is that

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attaining which the liberated dwell in similar world.
(abode of the Lord) Sārūpya means liberation with
privilege of having similar form of the Lord such as
four arms and others. Sāmīpya means dwelling in close
proximity with the Lord. (It does not negate others' having
the relation of the Lord). Then, Sāyujya liberation is
that, which could be attained only by great gods wherein
the liberated, entering the particular limb of the Lord
enjoy their own bliss.

547. किंचेदं शबलत्वते किं मायाशबलत्वतः ।
उत सर्वेश्वरत्वादिं सद्गुणास्मोधिसम्भ्रमात् ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.53b, Śl.318.

548. अज्ञाने जीवगत्वस्यैवोक्तत्वाच्च न तन्मतम् ।
Ibid, p.53b, Śl.320.

549. Bhāgavata -X-29-6, I-7-23 & I-7-24.
इति भागवते प्रोक्तं चतुर्मखमुखोक्ततः ।
कृष्णस्य बन्धकीभूतमाया दूरत्वनिर्णयात् ॥
Y.M., S.S., p. Ślokaśś 348 & to 351.

550. न यत्र मायेत्याद्युक्त्या यल्लोकोपि न मायिकः ।
कथं मायामयाकारस्तल्लोकेशो भवेद्दद ॥
Ibid, 56, Śl.352.

550A. The Māyā is defined and understood in so many ways
as shown below. But it should be borne in mind that
nowhere falsity is attributed to Māyā.

मायांतु प्रकृतिं विद्धि मायिनं तु महेश्वरम् ।
Śwet.Up. IV-10.

महामायेत्यविद्येति प्रकृतिर्मोहिनीति च ।

प्रकृतिर्वासनेत्येव तवेच्छानन्तकथ्यते ॥

Madhva, Viṣṇutatvanirṇaya, (Śarvamūlagranthāḥ) Vol.5, p.30.

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अत्र मायाशब्दो "दृष्ट्वा स्त्रियं देवमायामि"
इत्यादाविव प्रतिबन्धकराक्तिमत्परः ।

Arakeri Jayacharya, Viṣṇutīrtha; 'Bhāgavatasāroddhāra,'
Dharwad, 1981, p.210.

माया नारायणीशानी । - X-2-12. Bhāg.

माया बलं भगवतो जन ईश पश्येत् ॥III-9-9.Bhāg.

मायां मदीयां तरतिस्म द्युःस्त्यजाम् IV-20-32.Bhāg.

माया हिंसा च मत्सरः । VII-15-43.Bhāg.

551. शक्तिसौन्दर्यशौर्यादियोगाच्छ्लाघ्यतरो हरिः ।

ज्ञानेनाज्ञानदोषान्यददूरे द्रावयेत् प्रभुः ॥

Y.M., S.S. p.53, Śl.369.

552. यदिस्वरूपज्ञानस्य नाज्ञानप्रतिकूलता ।

तदा मुक्तस्य चाज्ञानात् पुनः संसारिता पतेत् ॥

अतस्त्वरूप ज्ञानेन ज्वलज्वालो ज्ज्वलेन हि ।

अज्ञानोच्चाटनं वाच्यं यत्संगान्मासतोपि चित् ॥

Ibid, Pp.59b & 59, Ślokas, 370, & 374.

552A. Bhāg. I-7-23.

553. नित्यमुक्तत्वशुद्धत्ववचनात्स्वास्य दोषिता ।

Y.M., S.S., p.60b, Śl.376.

अस्य परमात्मनः ... विधामयो यस्तु

नित्यमुक्तः, अविकारोक्षरशुद्धः इत्यादि

वचनात् दोषिता क्व ।

Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M., S.S, p.60b.

553A. अकर्त्रभोक्तात्मपदप्रमादात् ।

संसारबन्धः प्रविभाति सद्यत् ।

कर्तृत्वमध्यस्तमपास्य शुद्ध

स्वरूपबोधेन विमुक्तिमेति ॥

,... प्रमादादज्ञानकृतावरणात् संसारे बध्नातीति संसारबन्धः कर्तृत्वादिः....

तस्मात् शुद्धस्वरूपः कर्तृत्वादिधर्मं विनिर्मुक्तः आत्मा ।

Sāstri K., Sadananda, Pratyaktattvacintāmanih with com.,
Achyuta granthamala Karyalaya, Kasi, Samvat 1988, Pp.2 & 3.

554. क्रियावेशप्रसंगेन कर्तृत्वं न चितो यदि ।
तर्हि ह्यपि चिन्मस्यात्सा धात्वर्थ क्रिया यतः ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.60b, Sl.377.

554A. निष्क्रियं निष्कलं शान्तम् ।
Swet.Up.VI-19.

555. परास्य शक्तिर्विविधैश्चयते स्वाभाविकी
ज्ञानबलक्रिया च । Swet-Up.VI-8.
परास्येति श्रुतिः प्राह सहज्ञानबलक्रियाः ।
...श्रुतिर्निषेधतीहो द्वे पुण्यपापाभिधक्रिये ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.60, Sl.379.

555A. Swet.Up.VI-8.

555B. अशब्दमस्पर्शमरूपम् । Katha.Up.III-15,

Sāhaka understands the terms Asābdam etc, as that which is not an object of the quality of ether (Akasa - matter) and the like. There is nothing wrong in understanding this and negating the association of material effects or qualities of five great elements:

See; Subramanya Sastri, S. Upaniṣadbhāṣyam, Mahesh Research Institute, Varanasi, 1979, Pp.98 & 99,

But the passage not only aims at negating the material association or effect but the aim of the passage is to declare and glorify Brahman an object of spiritual declaration. That means He is the prime-object of defect less declaration or expression, which is the Apauruṣeya and eternal Veda. Here, the fact that Brahman being an object of expression etc, is not at all discarded and denied.

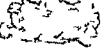
Cf: ○ लोकसिद्धार्थनाम्नः स राहित्यान्नामवर्जितः ।

अरूपोऽप्राकृतत्वाच्च सत्त्वाभावात्तथाऽगुणः ॥

अकर्माऽक्लिष्टकारित्वान्नित्यत्वादज एव च ।

अलौकिकार्थसन्नाम्नामनन्तत्वाज्जनार्दनः ॥

Madhva. Bhāgavatātātparya (Sarvamūlagranthah) Vol.3, p.510.

556. अशब्दश्रुत्यबोधयत्वे मुख्यार्थशब्दतागता ।
यद्यशब्दश्रुतेरर्थः सर्वथा शब्ददूरता ॥
तर्हीयं च श्रुतिस्तत्र मानं नेति जितं परैः ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.61b, Śloka 383 & 384.
557. यद्यस्पर्शश्रुतेरर्थः सर्वथास्पर्शान्यता ।
न स्पृशेत्तद्व्यविद्यापि जितं त्वत्प्रतिवादिभिः ॥
Ibid, p.61, Śl.386.
- 557A. Cf:  अरूपोऽप्राकृतत्वाच्च सत्त्वाभावात्तथाऽगुणः ।
Madhva. Bhāgavatātātparya (Sarvamūlāgranthāḥ, Vol.3) p.510.
558. सर्वथारूपराहित्ये रूक्मवर्णश्रुतिर्गता ॥
Ibid, p.62b, Śl.390.
- 558A. Sukla Yajurveda Samhitā Ch.35-17.
559. आदित्यवर्णं तमसः परस्तादिति वैदिकी ।
वागविधा निवृत्तौ च रूपमाह परात्मनः ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.62, Śl.393.
560. युक्त्यापि तमसः परस्तादित्युक्ताप्राकृतप्रदेशेपि
रूपस्पर्शकाराणां साधितत्वात् ।
Bh.Vi.Com.on.Y.M., S.S., p.62.
561. सुखरूपं हि यदब्रह्म ज्ञानरूपं न मृण्मयम् ।
Y.M., S.S., p.63b, Śl.396.
562. एवं महाकायस्य नारायणस्य असौ कायः
कोटिब्रह्माण्डविग्रह इति वासुदेवसहस्रनामोक्त-
कोटिब्रह्माण्डाश्रयकायः चिन्मय एव व्याप्त-
परमात्मस्वरूपज्ञानानन्दात्मक एव ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.Y.M., S.S., p.63b, & 63.

562A. अतः कशब्दोक्तसुखरूपत्वात् अयपयगताविति
धातोर्ज्ञानिरूपत्वाच्च काय इति युक्तिं हिशब्देन सूचयति ।
Bh.Vi.com.on.y.m., §Sp.63.
Ref: Apte V.S, 'The Practical Sanskrit-English Dictionary,
Motilal Banarasidass, 1978, p.323.

562B. एवं शपदोक्तसुखं रपदोक्तक्रीडां ईरपदोक्तज्ञानं
चादाय श्रुतौ शरीरमिति चोच्यत इति दृष्टव्यम् ।
Bh.Vi. com.on. Y.M., S.S., p.63.
Ref: Apte V.S, 'The Practical Sanskrit-English Dictionary,
Pp.252, 790, 902.

563. सुखज्ञानसुखस्पर्शसुखान्धसुखाकृतिः ।
नयादि स्वशिखान्तं च सुखतज्जोमयः प्रभुः ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.63, §1.400.

564. सर्वथाशरीराभावे वागुच्चारणस्थैवायोगा दलौकिकशरीरोच्चरितैव
वाक् यथा शरीरवाक् तथाऽलौकिकशरीरेषु भगवद्गुणेषु अशरीरता
युक्तैव ॥
Bh.Vi., Com.on.Y.M., S.S., p.64b.

564A. Supra fns, 527 & 528.
See: द्वासुपणा- Mund.Up. (III-I-1) (Atharvaṇa.Up)
M. Bhāṣya -
स्वादुवत् सर्वदा तित । नत्वस्वाद्वेव ।
"तस्येदाहुः पिप्पलं स्वाद्वे तन्नोन्नशद् यः पितरं न वेद"
इत्यज्ञानां स्वादुनिषेधात् । जीवाद्यमेव नाशनाति भगवान् ।
न तु नाशनत्येव । "तस्येदाहुः पिप्पलं स्वादु" इत्युक्तत्वात् ।
"स्वातन्त्र्येणैव भोक्तृत्वाद् दुःखाभोगाच्च सर्वदा ।
अभोक्ता चैव भोक्ता च भगवन् विष्णुरव्ययः" इति तत्त्वसारे ।"
Madhva, Mundakopaniṣadbhāṣya, (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ) Vol.I,
p.496.

564B. Supra, fn 553 A.

565. विधिष्टस्य हि कर्तृत्वे विशेष्यस्यापि कर्तृता ।
वस्तुतः कर्तृतां कोवा वक्त्यनात्मनि युक्तिमान् ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.64, Śl.404.

565A. Pāṇini Sūtra I-iv-54.

566. मर्त्यैर्वर्त्ये यस्त्वतन्त्रः कर्तृत्याहुर्विपश्चितः ।
Y.M., S.S., p.64, Śl.405.

567. जीव एव तथा कर्ता तत्सर्वं कारकान्तरम् ।
मनो हिकारणं तस्य देहोधिकरणं स्मृतम् ॥
कर्तृत्वे कोसि दायादी मायापि कारणान्तरम् ॥
Ibid, Pp.64, 65b, Ślokas 407 & 408.

568. कालप्रकृतिकर्माद्यैस्सहैव कुरुते जगत् ।
Ibid, p.66b, Śl.415.

569. हरेस्तु नित्यमुक्तस्य देहस्सर्वत्र सर्वदा ।
बलज्ञानप्रभासौख्य सौन्दर्यादिगुणात्मकः ॥
Ibid, P.68b, Śl.429.

569A. नायमात्मा प्रवयेनेन लभ्यो न मेधया न
बहुना श्रुतेन । यमेवैष वृणुते तेन लभ्यस्त-
स्यैष आत्मा विवृणुते तनुं स्वाम् ॥
Mund.Up. IV-3.

569B. Supra fn.510.

570. तनुशरीरमेवेयं रूपमात्रं न वै तनुः ।
...
स्वामित्युक्त्या तनुस्ता च स्वरूपैवेति सिद्ध्यति ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.68, Ślokas, 432 & 433.

571. अतश्चतुर्थं तत्त्वज्ञास्तनुं मुक्तपरात्मनोः ।
चिदानन्दमयीं प्राहुर्नप्राहुर्जडदेहितां ॥
Ibid, p.69b, Śl.436.
572. अतस्तया शबलता न विद्वज्जनसम्मता ।
Ibid, p.69, Śl.440.
573. ददतीशं बलं च त्वच्छबलत्वं बहिःक्षिपेत् ।
बिन्दुमात्राधिकत्वेऽपि प्रबलो दुर्बलो क्षिपेत् ॥
चित्रप्रकाशबलतः शबलो घ्रास्तु नः प्रभुः ।
Ibid, p.69 Ślokas 441,442.
574. नान्तं न मध्यं न पुनस्तवादिं पश्यामि विश्वेश्वर विश्वरूप ।
पश्यामि देवांस्तव देव देहे ...।
Bhagavadgītā - XI-16, XI-15.
- 574A. Māyika means product of Māyā (Prakṛti) or Avidyā.
If the form of the Lord were to be product of Māyā,
then it would never be extra-ordinary. The above cited
passages promise that the form of the Lord is Aprākṛta
(not Māyika).
575. अतः तस्यैव रूपस्य स्थूलतां सूक्ष्मतां च
स्वशक्त्या भगवान् प्रदर्शयति ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., Ś.S, p.70.
576. अपरिच्छिन्नदेहोऽयं पार्थप्रत्यक्षोऽयम् ।
परिच्छिन्नमवन्मायामयो नैवेति मे मतिः ॥
Y.M., Ś.S, p.70, Śl.448.
577. यं परमात्मानं श्रवणमननादिना प्रपन्नः शरणं प्राप्तः,
यां मायां - मायैव ये प्रपद्यन्ते मायामेतां तरन्ति ते
इति वचनात् । यदा तदभक्तोऽपि मायातरणसमर्थः
तदा सुतरां स भगवानिति युक्तिरनेन सूचिता ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., Ś.S, p.71b.

578. प्रायो दग्धपटप्राया या यज्ज्ञानोदये हृदि ।
मायानिस्तरणोपायस्तोयं मायामयः किल ॥
Y.M., S.S., p.71b, S1.451.

578A. ...

तमैवं विदित्वा तिमृत्युमेति नान्यः पन्था विद्यते अयनाय ।
S.Y.S., Ch.35-17.

579. सप्रकारं हि यं विद्वान्मुच्यते स किलाल्पकः ।
Y.M., S.S., p.71 S1.553.

579A. पुरुष एवेदं सर्वं। (Rv.90.2)

यत् इदं वर्तमानं जगत् तत् सर्वं पुरुष एव ।
Sontakke & Kashikar, 'Rgveda Samhitā' with com.of Sāyana
N.S. Sontakke, Vaidikā Samsodhana Mandala, Poona, 1946 p.615.

580. मुक्तामुक्तचित्तोरीशः कथं सर्वजडात्मकः ।
Y.M., S.S., p.71 S1.474.

581. नित्यमुक्तश्च भगवान्परंब्रह्म स एव हि ।
Ibid, p.83b, S1.524.

581A. श्रीश्च ते लक्ष्मीश्च ते पत्न्या अहोरात्रे पार्श्वे
रूपमश्विनौ व्यात्तम् ।।
S.Y.S.K.S., 35-22.

श्रीः आश्रयणीया लक्ष्मीः धनकनकादिरूपा
ऐश्वर्याभिमानिनी देवता , हे परमात्मन् श्रीश्च
लक्ष्मीश्च ते तव पत्न्यौ भायास्थानीये च।
Sharma Chintamani mishra' Sukla Yajurveda Samhitā with
Sāyana Bhāṣya. Sampurnananda Sanskrit Vishvavidyalaya,
Varanasi, 1978, p.311.

582. इत्थं सूक्तोक्तमहिमा यस्य सर्वेश्वरस्य हि ।

Y.M., S.S, S1.527.

583. परंब्रह्म स एवैको नारायण इति स्थितम् ॥

Y.M., S.S, p.83, S1.527.

584. साकारसगुणश्रीशैवेकामृतपद्धतिः ।

नान्यस्य सेवा मोक्षस्य पन्थाइत्याह हि श्रुतिः ॥

Ibid, p.84b, S1.530.

584A. सत्यंज्ञानमनन्तं ब्रह्म ।

(Tait, Up, II-1-1)

शांकरभाष्यम् -

.....। सत्यं ज्ञानमनन्तं ब्रह्मेति ब्रह्मणो लक्षणार्थं वक्तव्यम् ।
सत्यादीनि हि त्रीणि विशेषणार्थानि पदानि विशेष्यस्य ब्रह्मणः ।.....।
सत्यादिशब्दा न परस्परं सम्बध्यन्ते परार्थत्वाद्विशेषार्था हि ते । अतः
एकैको विशेषणशब्दः परस्परं निरपेक्षो ब्रह्मशब्देन सम्बध्यते ।।
सत्यमिति यद्व्यपेण यन्निश्चितं तद्व्यपेण न व्यभिरति तत्सत्यं यद्व्यपेण निश्चितं
यत्तद्व्यपेण व्यभिरदनुत्तमित्युच्यते । अतो विकारो नृत्तं "वाचारम्भं विकारो
नामधेयं मृत्तिकेत्येव सत्यम्" एव सदेव सत्यमित्यवधारणादतः सत्यं ब्रह्मेति
ब्रह्मविकारान्निवर्तयति । अतः कारणत्वं प्राप्तं ब्रह्मणः । कारणस्य च
कारकत्वं, वस्तुतत्त्वामृद्वद्विद्वत्पता च प्राप्ताऽत इदमुच्यते ज्ञानं ब्रह्मेति ।
ज्ञानं कृष्टिरवबोधो भावसाधनो ज्ञानशब्दो ब्रह्मविशेषणत्वात्सत्यानन्ताभ्यां
सह ।। तत्र त्रिविधं ह्यानन्त्यं देशतः कालतो वस्तुतश्चेति ।
तद्यथा देशतो अनन्त आकाशो नहि देशतस्तस्य परिच्छेदोऽस्ति । न तु
कालतश्चानन्त्यं वस्तुतश्चाकाशस्य । कस्मात् कार्यत्वात् । नैवं ब्रह्मण
आकाशवत्कालतोऽप्यनन्तवत्त्वमकार्यत्वात् । कार्यं हि वस्तु कालेन
परिच्छिद्यते । अकार्यं च ब्रह्म तस्मात्कालतोऽपि अनन्तम् । तथा वस्तुतः ।
कथं पुनर्वस्तुतः आनन्त्यं सर्वानन्त्यत्वात् भिन्नं हि वस्तु वस्त्वन्तरस्यान्तो भवति ।
.....। अतो वस्तुतोऽप्यानन्त्यम् । कथं पुनः सर्वानन्त्यं ब्रह्मण इत्युच्यते,
सर्ववस्तुकारणत्वात् । सर्वेषां हि वस्तूनां कालाकाशादीनां कारणं ब्रह्म ।.....।
अतो निरतिशयमात्मन आनन्त्यं देशतस्तथा कार्यत्वात् कालतस्तदिभन्नस्त्व-
न्तराभावाच्च वस्तुतो त एव निरतिशयसत्यत्वम् ।

Subramanyashastri S. 'Upaniṣadbhāṣyam' Mahesh Research -
Institute, Varanasi, 1979, Pp.443, 445, 446, 456 and 437.

585. सर्ववस्त्वात्मकत्वं च यदनन्तत्वमीरितं ।
तदयुक्तमं मन्ये युक्तायुक्तवियारणे ॥
Vādirāja, Yuktimalikā (Y.M) Bhedasaurebha (B.S)p.1, S1.1.
तत्र वस्तुतोन्तराहित्यं नाम सकलवस्तुभेदराहित्य-
मिति वदन्ति ।
Surottamatīrtha, Bhāvavilasini (Bh.Vi) com.on.Y.M.,p.1.
586. विभोस्तदगुरुत्वं नित्यस्यानित्यरूपतां ।
कथं पुनरसौ ब्रूयान्न हि स स्वात्मघातकः ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.2b, S1.5
587. देशकालव्याप्ततोक्त्या यत्तदिभन्नमभूत्पुरा ।
कथंपुनर्वस्तुरूपात्तत एव तदेकता ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.2b, S1.6.
588. देशकालान्तशून्यत्वं देशकाले च वर्तनम् ।
यथा वस्त्वन्तशून्यत्वं तथा वस्तुषु वर्तनम् ॥
Ibid, p.2, S1.9.
- 588A. बहुवस्त्वाश्रयत्वं वा भवेत्लोकनिदर्शनात् ।
Y.M.,B.S, p.3b, S1.10.
589. रत्नतो नन्तइत्याहुयतोरत्नाकरं जनाः ।
तथागुणानन्तता च स्यादगुणैःपूर्णता हरेः ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.3b, S1.10.
590. तत्सर्वदेशकालेषु सम्बन्धोनन्तता यथा ।
समस्तगुणसम्बन्धो गुणानन्त्यं तथा विभोः ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.4b, S1.13.
- 590A. सम्बन्धश्च यथायोगं संयोगोद्व्ययोस्तयोः ।
Ibid, p.4b, S1.15.
एवं च देशकालादिभिस्त्रिभिरपि हरेराधाराधेयभाव
एवार्थोपि सम्बन्धः । स च क्वचिदाधारत्व पूर्वकः ।
क्वचिदाधेयत्वपूर्व इति न नाम्नापि विशेषः ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M.,B.S, p.4b,

590B. Tait.Up.II-1.

590. महत्त्वस्य विप्रोदितत्वादपि नैतदिहोचितम् ।
Y.M.,B.S, p.4, Śl.19.

591A. Bhāg.I-18-19.

592. अर्थद्वये न सन्देहः तृतीयार्थे हि संशयः ।
 अतो विशिष्य तं व्याप्तो निर्णयायान्ववर्णयत् ॥
Ibid, p.6b, Śl.25.
 वस्तुतस्तु व्याप्तित्वनित्यत्वयोरपि गुणत्वात्
 गुणानन्त्यमेव अनन्तशब्दार्थः ।
Bh.Vi.,com.on.Y.M.,B.S, p.6b.

593. सृष्टिस्थितिसंहारा इति त्रितयमपि सत्त्वम् ।
 तदेतत्रितयं च जगतः प्रापयतीति सत्यशब्दोदितो
 भगवानिति समुदायार्थः ।
Ibid, p.7b.

593A. Supra.Fn.584 A.

593B. अन्नाद् वै प्रजा प्रजायन्ते ।। अथो अन्नेनैव जीवन्ति ।।
 सर्वं वै तेऽन्नमाप्नुवन्ति ॥

Tait.Up.II-2.

य एष भगवान् विष्णुर्भूतसृष्टा गुणाधिकः ।।
 अतृत्वात्सर्वलोकानामन्नमित्युच्यते हरिः ।
 उपजीव्यश्च भूतानामिति वाऽन्नं जनार्दनः ॥

Madhva. Taittiriyaopaniṣadbhāṣya, (Sarvamūlāgranthāḥ Vol.1)
 p.529.

594. अतस्त्वेतरसर्वस्य सृष्टृता सत्यता भवेत् ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.7, Śl.35.

594A. Tait.Up.II-4.

594B. Ibid, III-4.

595. पुनरन्नमयत्वोक्त्या महासंहृतोच्यते ।
अधोत्ति च भूतानीत्युक्तेस्संहृतान्यता ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.7, Sl.36.

595A. In the Dvaita, Kośa or sheath is not the primary meaning of the passages of Tait.Up. Unlike in the Advaita, (i) Annamaya etc, describe the greatness of the Lord as sole creator, protector and destroyer of the world. The suffix Mayat does not convey the sense of Vikāra as the Advaita holds, (ii) but means abundance:

प्रचुरं मय इत्युक्तं प्रचुरात्ता यतो हरिः ।

प्रचुरैः सेव्यते नित्यमतोऽन्नमय ईरितः ॥

Madhva, Taittirīyopaniṣadbhāṣya, (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ.Vol.1), Pp.529 & 528.

The secondary meaning of the phrase is no doubt that it is the Kośa or sheath. Five kośas that are gross as well as subtle, are present in each Jīva, and they are governed and controlled by the Lord with His five presiding forms - Aniruddha, Pradyumna, Saṅkarṣaṇa, Vāsudeva and Nārāyaṇa. And these forms bless the Jīva and make him active for acting, enjoying knowing experiencing etc., Thus, He is prime-activating agent. Though, they fulfil different activities, they are not distinct. They are identical and perfect.

सर्वे पि पुरुषाकारा उत्तरात् पूर्वसम्भवः ।

उत्तरैः पूरिताः पूर्वे निच्छिद्रत्वेन सर्वशः ॥

अत्तृत्वं च प्रणेतृत्वं बोधो विविधेतृता ।

आनन्दश्च यतः पूर्णस्ततो न्नादिमयाः स्मृताः ॥

अत्त्यादिदास्ते प्रत्येकं सर्वसर्वगुणा अपि ॥

Madhva, Taittirīyopaniṣadbhāṣya (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ) Vol.1, p.531.

(i) अन्नमयादिभ्य आनन्दमयान्तेभ्य आत्मभ्योऽभ्यन्तरतमं
 ब्रह्म विध्या प्रत्यगात्मत्वेन दिदर्शयिषु शास्त्रं
 अविद्याकृत अविद्याकृतपंचकोशापनयनेन अनेक तुष्कोद्रव-
 वितुष्णीकरणेनैव तदन्तर्गत तण्डुलान्प्रस्तौति,
 तस्माद्वा एतस्मादन्नरसमयादित्यादि ।

Sankara: 'Taittirīyopaniṣadbhāṣya' p. 489, Mahesh
 Research Institute, Varanasi.

Vedāntists analyse the material body into five Kośas, or Sheaths, namely the gross physical sheath (annamayakośa), the sheath of the Prāṇa. (Prāṇamayakośa), the sheath of the mind (manomayakośa), the sheath of the buddhi or intellect (Vijñānamayakośa) and the sheath of bliss (Ānandamayakośa). They are sheaths because they conceal Atman, as a sheath conceals a sword. They are described as being one inside another - the physical sheath being the outermost and the sheath of bliss is the innermost. Each succeeding sheath is finer than the preceeding one. As a fine substance permeates a gross one, so the finer sheath permeates the grosser sheath. Atman is unattached to the sheaths. Its light and consciousness permeate them all; though in varying degrees according to their density. By cultivating detachment toward these sheaths one by one, and gradually penetrating deeper, a man realizes Ātman as pure consciousness.

Nikhilananda: The Upaniṣads, Harper & Row, publishers, New York, 1963, Pp.56,57.

See also; Ranganathananda, 'The message of the Upaniṣads', Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Bombay, 1980, Pp.2,422 and 424.

Ramakrishnarao, K.B., Advaita Vedānta: Problems & Perceptives, University of Mysore, Mysore, 1980, p.208.

(ii) मयद्य अत्र विकारार्थे दृष्टो यथाऽन्नमय
 इत्यादि । तस्मात् कार्यत्मा आनन्दमयः प्रत्येतव्यः ।

Saṅkara, Taittirīyopaniṣadbhāṣya, Mahesh, Research Institute Varanasi p.507.

596. प्राणनं जीवनं प्रोक्तं प्राच्ययर्थि यतो मयद् ।
अतः प्राणमयत्वोक्त्या महापालकतोच्यते ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.8, Sl.40.
597. विशिष्यसर्ववितृत्वं ज्ञानत्वमिति च श्रुतिः ।
मनोमयगिरा प्राह यतो धातुस्तबोधने ॥
Ibid, p.9b, Sl.43.
598. सृष्ट्युक्त्या प्राप्तसार्वज्ञ लक्षणस्येदमीरणम् ।
Y.M.,B.S, p.9b, Sl.45.
- 598A. Tait.Up.II-6.
599. आनन्दमयवाचान्ते स्वोक्तानन्तत्वमेव सा ।
जगौ किल तदानन्त्यं आनन्दादिमुणैर्न किम् ॥
Ibid, p.9, Sl.46.
अन्ते प्रोक्तानन्तत्वलक्षणस्य अन्तिमेन आनन्द-
मयप्रकारेण प्रपंचनात् आनन्दादिगुणपूर्वत्वमेव
अनन्तत्वं, न परोदीरितसकलवस्तुत्वैक्यम् ।
Bh.Vi.,com.on.Y.M.,B.S, p.9.
600. तत्तत्पूत्यै तत्रैकं गुणं पूर्णमवर्णयत् ।
Y.M.,B.S, p.10b, Sl.50.
- 600A. जन्माद्यस्य यतः । Br.Sū.I-1-2.
सृष्टिस्थितिसंहारनियमनज्ञानाज्ञानबन्धमोक्षा यतः ।
Mādhva, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, (Sarvamūlagranthāh- Vol.1)p.8.
601. प्राक्सर्वकर्तृतां पश्चात्तत्तत्सिद्धयै सर्ववितृताम् ।
सुखशक्तिकृपाद्याप्त्यै सान्ततो नन्ततां जगौ ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.12b, Sl.59.

- 601A. The passage might be either Vijñānamānandam brahma (Brih.Up.III-9-28) or Satyamajñānamanantamānandam brahma (Sarvop-3) although it is mentioned as 'Satyam Jñānamanandam Brahma,' See ^{also} Jacob, 'A concordance to the Principal Upaniṣads and Bhagavadgītā' Motilal Banarasidass, 1963, Pp.185 & 186.
602. आनन्दमितितत्स्थाने प्राहतेनात्रयोग्यता ।
गुणस्यैवास्ति तत्त्यागे दोषो स्यादिति तर्क्ये ॥
Ibid, p.12, Śl.63.
603. आनन्दादिगुणैस्तत्मादानन्त्यं स्यादित्दं प्रभोः ।
Ibid, Śl.64.
- 603A. Chāṇ.Up.VII-23-1.
604. तत्पूर्णसौख्यसिद्धयर्थं आनन्त्योक्तिश्चशोभते ।
अतो देशाच्चकालाच्च गुणतश्चान्तशून्यता ॥
श्रुत्युक्तं तदनन्तत्वं नान्यत्तत्त्वमितिस्थितम् ।
Y.M.,B.S, p.13b; Ślokas 69,70.
605. एवं च वस्तुतोप्यस्य नान्त इत्युदिते सति ।
सर्वैश्च वस्तुभिस्सिद्धये तसदा सम्बन्ध एव हि ।
अयं च देशव्याप्त्युक्त्या गतार्थत्वान्नसार्थकः ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.13 & 14b, Ślokas 74 & 77.
606. धनैःपूर्णस्तदैव स्याद्वनं च बहुलं यदि ।
तद्गुणैःपूर्णतावाचा गुणानां पूर्णताऽप्यभूत् ॥
Ibid, p.14, Śl.79.

One must know the element of difference in comparison. There is no difference between the Lord and His qualities unlike a rich person. Though, he is called Dhanapūrṇa, Dhana is different from him. Thus, the comparison has its own limitation.

606A. मय्यनन्तगुणेऽनन्ते गुणतो नन्तविगृहे ।

Bhāg. VI-4-48.

607. गुणसंख्यावधिर्नेति योनन्तगुणैरितः ।

त एव गुणतो नन्तः प्रत्येकं गुणपूर्तितः ॥

Y.M., B.S., p.15b, Śl.84.

608. ... धर्मिव्याप्तौ व्याप्तागुणाश्च तत् ।

Ibid, p.15, Śl.87.

609. अमायिको हरिस्सिद्धः तद्वर्मा अप्यमायिकाः ।

अणुभ्योऽखिलजीवैभ्यो विभेदश्च विभोरभूत् ॥

Y.M., B.S., p.16b, Śl.90.

610. सर्वोपनिषदामर्थं निर्णेतुं बादरायणः ।

निर्ममि ब्रह्मसूत्राणि सूयनात्सूत्रमुच्यते ।

Y.M., B.S., p.16, Śl.93.

611. निर्णायकानुसारेण निर्णयस्यगतिं विदुः ।

Ibid, Śl.95.

611A. भाष्यम् - सूत्रार्थो वर्ण्यते येन पदैः सूत्रानुसारितिभः ।

स्वपदानि च वर्ण्यन्ते भाष्यं भाष्यविदो विदुः ॥

Jhalakikar, Bhimacarya, Nyāyakośa, p.627.

611B. Tait.Up. II-5.

611C. Tait.Up. II-6.

611D. आनन्दमयोभ्यासात् । Br.Sū. I-1-12.

.....। अन्नमयत्वादेश्च । तथापि न त आनन्दमयशब्देनोच्यन्ते ।

किन्तु विष्णुरेव ।। ब्रह्मशब्दः परे विष्णौ नान्यत्र क्वचिदिष्यते ।.....।

"ब्रह्मेति परमात्मेति भगवानिति शब्दयते ।" "वासुदेवात्मकं ब्रह्म

मूलमन्त्रेण वायतिः" इत्यादिषु तस्मिन्नेव प्रसिद्ध ब्रह्मशब्दाभ्यासात् ।

Madhva, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ)-vol.1
Pp.14 & 15,

612. ब्रह्मशब्दबलात्पुच्छमेव ब्रह्मेति दुर्धियः ।
श्रुतिस्त्राध्वनानन्दमयं ब्रह्मर्यं शंसति ।
Y.M., B.S, p.17, Śl.100.

612A. Tait.Up.II-9.

612B.। तस्मात्कार्यपतित एवानन्दमयो न पर एवात्मा ।
आनन्दइति विद्याकर्मणोः फलम् । त द्विकार आनन्दमयः ।
एवं चेत्कृष्यमाणस्यानन्दमयस्यात्मनः परमार्थब्रह्मविज्ञानापेक्षया
ब्रह्म परमेव यत्प्रकृतं सत्यज्ञानानन्तलक्षणं, यस्य च प्रतिपत्त्यर्थं
पंचान्नादिमयाः कोशा उपन्यस्ताः.

See also; Supra.fn,595A.

Śaṅkara, Taittirīyopaniṣadbhāṣya, Mahesh Research Institute,
Varanasi, Pp.508 & 510.

613. कोशस्य जडत्वेन तदेकदेशभूतपादस्यापि जडत्वावश्यंभावात्
तद्ब्रह्मत्वप्रतिपादिका न स्यादिति भावः ।
परमात्मनि लोमनरवादीनामपि ब्रह्मत्वात्तस्य तस्य
ब्रह्मतोप्रतिपादकं वाक्यं तत्र तत्र योज्यम् ।
Bh.Vi.,com.on.B.S, p.18.

613A. आनन्दं ब्रह्म कं ब्रह्मेत्यादि वेदो न किं श्रुतः ।
Y.M., B.S, p.19, Śl.109.

614. मोदानन्दप्रमोदादि न ब्रह्म किल चिन्मये ।
ब्रह्मणस्सुखरूपत्वे सुखस्य ब्रह्मता न किम् ॥
आनन्दं ब्रह्म कं ब्रह्मेत्यादिवेदो न किं श्रुतः ॥
Ibid, Pp19b & 19. Ślokas,108 & 109.

615. विरुद्धजीवब्रह्मैक्ये यस्याशाभूयसी तव ।
अंगांगिनोः कुतो नैक्यमेकजातीययोर्वद ॥
Ibid, p.19, Śl.110.

616. पुच्छस्य ब्रह्मतायांतु मध्यस्याब्रह्मता कथम् ।
मुत्पुच्छं मुण्मयस्योक्षणव्यज्ञाभाणकं स्मर ॥
Ibid, S1.112.

616A. Q.Y.M., B.S, p.20b, S1.115.

617. पादौ ब्रह्म करौ ब्रह्म मध्यं ब्रह्म शिरो हरेः ।
ब्रह्मै वेदं सर्वमिति श्रुत्या ह्येषोर्थ ईरितः ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.20b, S1.115.

617A. Bhāg.X-8-37 & 38.

617B. आनन्दो ब्रह्मेति व्यजानात् ।
आनन्दाद्येव खल्विमानि भूतानि जायन्ते ।
Tait.Up.III-6.

आनन्दं ब्रह्मणो विद्वान् । Tait.Up.II-4.
आनन्द आत्मा । Tait.Up.II-5,
ब्रह्म पुच्छं प्रतिष्ठा ॥

618. आनन्दमय मध्यस्यानन्दो ब्रह्मेति किं न सा ।
सहेतुकं ब्रह्मभावमाह संशयानुत्तये ।
Y.M., B.S, p.20, S1.117.

618A. Supra. fn 617 B

618B. Supra. fn 617 B

619. पुच्छे ब्रह्मपदादन्यन्न ब्रह्म यदि ते मते ।
तर्ह्यनानन्दता पुच्छे मध्यस्यानन्दताश्रुतेः ॥
Ibid, p.21b, S1.119.

619A. Supra. fn 184

620. यद्यानन्दमयः कोशस्तत्पुच्छे ब्रह्मता कथम् ।
साकारस्य जडस्यास्य ब्रह्मता न हि ते मते ॥
Ibid, p.21, S1.124.

620A. Supra. fn 617B.

621. किंच श्रुतावादरश्चत् पुच्छस्यब्रह्मतास्तुते ।
अन्यस्याब्रह्मता कस्मात् स्वीकृता न हि सा श्रुता ॥
Ibid, p.22, Śl.128.

622. पादस्य ब्रह्मतोक्तौ हि सर्वस्य ब्रह्मताबलात् ।
यतो भवेत्तत्तत्तेर्थः प्रबलार्थहतो भवेत् ।
Ibid, p.23b, Śl.132.

622A. तटस्थ लक्षणं नाम यावल्लक्ष्यकालमनवस्थितत्वे
सति यद्व्यावर्तकं तदेव ।।
प्रकृते च जगज्जन्मादिकारणत्वम् ।
- तत्पदार्थस्य ब्रह्मणः तटस्थलक्षणमिति शेषः ।
Joshi H., Dharmarajadhvarindra ' Vedāntaparibhāṣha ' with
gom.p.247.

622B. जन्माद्यस्य यतः ।

अस्य जगतो नामरूपाभ्यां व्याकृतस्यानेक-
कर्तृभोक्तृसंयुक्तस्य ... जन्मस्थितिभेगं यतः
सर्वज्ञात्सर्वशक्तेः कारणादभवति तद्ब्रह्मेति वाक्यशेषः ।

It must be noted that in the Advaita that Brahman
is not Kartā. And what all Kartṛtva is referred to,
relates to Īśvara product of Māyā. So the definition
in the above cited Br.Su., does not apply to pure Brahman
but to Īśvara., means the definition of Kartṛtva in
respect of creation of the world etc, cannot be attributed
Brahman. Hence, it becomes Taṭastha-contingent;
silent, non-applicable:
See: Supra-fns, 553A.

623. किंच निर्विकृतेरेव निमित्तत्वं परात्मनः ।
कुलालवधतो युक्ता तदयुक्ता तटस्थता ॥
Y.M.,B.B. p.23b, Śl.134.

623A. पाणिनिना तसिप्रत्ययान्तस्य सार्वविभक्तिकत्वं कथनात् ।....।

कर्तृकरणयोस्तृतीयेति कर्तरि तृतीयाया
अनुशासनात् ।

See: Bh.Vi., com.on. Y.M., B.S, p.23.

624. लक्षणस्य तटस्थत्वे सर्वकार्यमकर्तृकम् ।

Y.M., B.S, p.24b, Śl.139.

624A. Tait.Up. III-1,

624B. Ibid.

625. जिज्ञास्ये लक्षणं नाम्बुदजिज्ञास्येस्ति यन्ति किम् ।

तद्ब्रह्मेत्युपदेशं किं जिज्ञासा कस्य कथ्यताम् ॥

Ibid, p.24, Śl.140.

625A. Supra. §54A

626. निमित्तवस्तु तद्ब्रह्म जगज्जालस्य कालवत् ।

उपादानत्ववातयि नात्र श्रौताध्वशोधने ॥

Ibid, p.26b, Śl.147.

626A. Ativyāpti: is extension of the attribute to things not denoted by the definitum, as when we define a cow as a horned animal and thereby include buffaloes that have horns but are not cows.

Athalye & Bodas: Tarkasaṃgraha of Annambhaṭṭa Bhandarkar
Oriental Research Institute, Poona, 1963, p.81.

626B. यदुक्तलक्षणोपेतं तद्ब्रह्मेति हि योजना ।

तल्लक्षणस्य ताटस्थ्ये ज्ञेयतापितटे तव ॥

Ibid, p.27, Ślokas, 155, 156.

तत्तत्तस्माद्ब्रह्मणि योजना योगात् । अज्ञानस्यैव योजनीयत्वाच्च ।....।

यतो जन्मादि तदज्ञानमिति सूत्रवाक्यपर्यवसितार्थे सति प्राचीनसूत्रोक्तज्ञेयतापि
Bh.Vi, com.on. Y.M., B.S, p.27. तस्यैव स्यात् ..

627. आरोपोऽस्या यत् इति वचने का हरिद्वता ।
Ibid., p.28b, Śl.158.

627A. Supra, In 622A

627B. एवं निर्गुणत्वोक्त्या तदस्थं लक्षणं न ते ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.28b, Śl.166.

628. किंच निर्गुणताधौव्ये लक्षणस्य तदस्थता ।
 लक्षणस्य च तादस्थ्ये निर्गुणत्वं ध्रुवं भवेत् ॥
 अतोऽन्योन्याश्रयः स्यान्नपरमात्मपदाश्रयः ।
Ibid, p.28, Śl.161.

629. निष्क्रियत्वं श्रुतिश्चास्य क्रियायाश्चास्त्यलेपनं ।
 अकर्तारं हि तं प्राहुर्नृपः कृत्वापि न लिप्यते ॥
Ibid., p.29, Śl.167.

629.A. Brih.Up., I-9-1.

629B. आकाशस्तल्लिंगात् । Br.Sū.I-i-22.
। एवं प्राप्ते ब्रूमः - "आकाशस्तल्लिंगात्" ।
 आकाशशब्देन ब्रह्मणो गृहणं युक्तम् ।
 Śaṭśāstri, Śaṅkara, 'Brahmasūtrabhāṣya' p.115.

629C. "आनन्दमयोऽभ्यासात् ।
 शारीरत्वमप्यानन्दमयस्यान्नमयादिशरीरपरम्परया प्रदर्श्यमानत्वात्.....।
 It is to be noted that, though Śaṅkara declares that
Ānandamaya is Supreme and Ātmā but admits the Śarīratva
 indirectly by applying the sheaths or Kośas respectively
 See; Satsastri, Śaṅkara, 'Brahmasūtrabhāṣya', p.96.

629D. Brih.Up. I-2-5.

630. स इदं सर्वमसृजतेति श्रुतिसमाख्यया ।
कर्तृत्वमिह हेतुत्वं नोपादानत्वमिष्यते ॥
Ibid., p.30, Śl.171.
631. अज्ञानेस्थितदुर्धर्मं को ज्ञानप्रस्तुतो वदेत् ।
Ibid, p.31, Śl.176.
632. किंनोपादानमात्रेण कार्यं स्यान्नावयोमते ।
अतःकर्तृत्ववश्यत्वे न तद्वाच्यं कथं वद ॥
Ibid, p.32, Śl.186.
- 632A. तत्र केवला प्रकृतिः प्रधानपदेन वेदनीया मूलप्रकृतिः ।।
महदादेः कार्यकलापस्यासौमूलम् ।
Viṣṇumūrtibhaṣṭ, G, Sāyana, 'Sarvadarśanasamgraha' Vol.2, p.150.
सत्त्वरजस्तमसां साम्यावस्था प्रकृतिः ।
Jhalakikar Bhimacārya; 'Nyāyakosā' p.519.
633. अनिच्छतापि कर्तृत्वमतो वाच्यं त्वयापि हि ।
P.32, Śl.188.
- 633A. ईश्वरस्यैव कर्तृत्वमुक्तम् । यत् कर्म कुरुते तदभिसम्पद्यते" इति जीवस्योपलभ्यते ।
अत आह -कर्ता शास्त्रार्थत्वात् -
Br.Sū.II-iii-32.
जीवस्य कर्तृत्वाभावे शास्त्रस्याप्रयोजकत्वप्राप्तेः
जीवोऽपि कर्ता ।
....परात्तु तच्छ्रुतेः । Br.Sū.II-iii-40.
सा च कर्तृत्वशक्तिः परादेव ।
"कर्तृत्वं करणत्वं च स्वभावश्चेतना धृतिः ।
यत्प्रसादादिमे सन्ति न सन्ति यदुपक्षया ॥"
इति हि पैंगिश्रुतिः ।
Madhva, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, Pp.103 & 104.
See also; Madhva, Mahābhāratatātparyanirṇaya
Sarvamūlāgranthāḥ) Vol.2, p.297, Ch.XXII, Slokas 75, 77 & 81.

634. कर्ता जीवोपि हि यदा शक्तः किमु तदा प्रभुः ।

p33, Śl.192.

अस्वतन्त्रस्य जीवस्य प्रयोजनवशात्कर्तृत्वे
अंगीकार्ये स्वतन्त्रस्य सर्वशक्तस्य हरेः कर्तृत्वं
तिरसा धार्यमिति भावः ।

Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.33,

635. Chā.VI-2-1.

निष्क्रियत्वश्रुतेस्तत्त्वात्तटस्थं लक्षणं यदि ।

तद्व्यञ्जानं तटस्थं स्यादद्वितीयश्रुतेर्बलात् ॥

Y.M., B.S, p.34b, Śl.196.

635A. अनादि ब्रह्मणो ज्ञानमनाद्ये हि ते मते ।

द्वितीयं तत्कृतं तस्मात्तृतीयमखिलं जगत् ।

तेनाविधानिषेधैव वागेषेति मतिर्मम ॥

Y.M., B.S, p.34b, Śl.197.

635B. Supra, fn.626A.

635C. Asambhava is the total absence of the characteristic from the definitum itself, as when we define a cow to be an animal with uncloven hoofs.

Athalye & Bodas, Tarka-saṃgraha of Annambhaṭṭa - p.81,

636. अतो लक्षणसूत्रस्य बलाज्ज्ञानबलादिभिः ।

गुणैर्युक्तमभूद्ब्रह्म लक्षणेन गुणेन च ॥

Ibid, p.35b, Śl.201.

636A. Supra., p. 100

637. नेहनानेतिवाक्याद्यगुण्यभिन्ना गुणाश्च ते ।

Y.M., B.S, p.35, ३ Śl.204.

638. सूत्रमयादिया एव गुणगुण्य भेदस्य गुण-
गुणिभावादेशच सिद्धेस्तद्वत्कविशेषस्यापि अर्थात्सिद्धिः ।
Ibid.,
- 638A. आनन्दमयोऽभ्यासात् ॥ Br.Sū,I-i-12.
आनन्दो ब्रह्मेति व्यजानात् । Tait.Up,III-6.
639. आनन्दमयसूत्रोक्तरीत्या सोऽपि सुखाकृतिः ।
निराकारः कथं कुर्यादध्वस्तहस्तकुलालवत् ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.36b, Śl.206.
- 639A. Br.Sū.I-iii-7.
640. भेदसाधकसूत्राणामस्मादप्यादौ सद्भावेऽपि सयुक्तिकत्वात्
ग्रन्थस्य युक्तिमल्लिकात्वादस्यैव प्रथमतो गृहणम् ॥
Bh.Vi.,com.on,Y.M.,B.S, p.37 b.
- 640A. Br.Sū.I-ii-20.
641. स च स्थित्यदनाभ्या चेत्याह भेदं सयुक्तिकम् ।
...
उभयेपीतिसूत्रेणैव भेदोक्त्या चान्यतां ॥
Y.M.,B.S, pp.37 b & 37, Ślokas 212 & 213.
- 641A. Bṛih.Mādhyandinapāṭhah,
- 641B. अन्योऽन्तर आत्माऽऽनन्दमयः । । आनन्द आत्मा ।
ब्रह्म पुच्छं प्रतिष्ठा । Tait.Up.II-9.
आनन्दो ब्रह्मेति व्यजानात् । Tait.Up.III-6.
- 641C. Mund.Up.III-1-2.
- 641D. Mund.Up.I-1-9.
- 641E. क्षरःसर्वाणि भूतानि कूटस्थोऽक्षर उच्यते ।
यस्मात्क्षरमतीतो ह्यक्षरादपि चोत्तमः ।
अतोऽस्मि लोके वेदे च प्रथितः पुरुषोत्तमः ।
Bhagavadgītā XV- 16 & 18.

642. विशेषणेन भेदस्य व्यपदेशेन चेति च ।
सयुक्तिकं भेदमाह यत्सार्वज्ञं विशेषणम् ॥
Ibid, p.38b, Sl.215.
643. शरीरोनुपपत्तेर्नितरोनुपपत्तितः ।
इति सूत्रद्वये चोक्तो भिन्नो जीवस्सयुक्तिकम् ॥
Ibid, p.38, Sl.216.
- 643A. Mund.Up. II-2-5.
643B. Chā.Up. III-8-7.
643C. Bṛih.Up. III-4-10.
643D. Svet.Up. VI-13.
643E. Ibid, IV-6.
644. भेदमाधोष्यामास सूत्रे सूत्रे स सूत्रकृत् ।
पंचधा यो भिन्नत्तीदं सभेदः केन वार्यते ॥
Ibid, p.40b, Sl.222.
- 644A. Ait.Āra. II-2-3.
645. इत्यैक्यवचसां सूत्रे लक्षणा गतिरीरिता ।
Ibid, p.41b, Sl.226.
- 645A. Mund.Up. III-2-7.
646. इति प्राप्तमतो भेदं परमार्थी चकार सः ।
तस्माद्भेदोऽप्रतिद्वन्द्वस्तत्र तत्रोदितो भवेत् ।
Y.M.,B.S., Pp.44 & 45 b, Slokas 237 & 238.
647. मोक्षार्थं ब्रह्ममीमांसाभारभ्य स पदे पदे ।
यतो निरणयद्भेदं अतस्तत्त्वं महद्वि तत् ॥
Ibid, p.48b, Sl.250.

648. न हि शास्त्रमिदं तया विषयभूतं ब्रह्म प्रतिपादयिष्यति ।

Śaṭśāstri, Śaṅkara: Brahmasūtrabhāṣya ' p.

अशब्दमस्पर्शमरूपम् - Kāth.Up.III-15.

यद्विशब्दादिमत्तद्वयेतीदं त्वद्विशब्दादिमत्त्वात्।

Śaṅkara: Kāthakopaniṣadbhāṣya, p.99.

शब्दादिराहित्यम्।

Subramanya shastri, Gopalayati, Kāthakopaniṣadbhāṣyavivarāṇa,
M.R.I.Varanasi, 1979,p.99.

649. "तद् विजिज्ञासस्व तद् ब्रह्म" इति ब्रह्मशब्देन

पूर्णगुणत्वोक्तेनानुभवसिद्धाल्पगुणजीवाभेदः । "अथ

कस्मादुच्यते ब्रह्मेति ब्रह्मन्तो ह्यस्मिन् गुणाः" इति श्रुतेरिति ।

Madhva. 'Nyāyavivarāṇa' , (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ-Vol.1)p.4.

ब्रह्मशब्दोऽपि हि गुणपूर्तिमिव वदत्ययम् ।

Madhva, Anuvyākhyāna (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ-Vol.1) p.7.

650. गुणैर्लिङ्गाभिधैः यस्मात्प्रतिसूत्रं विपक्षिणः ।

प्रत्याक्षिपत्स भवान् तद्ब्रह्म गुणबृंहितम् ॥

Y.M.,B.S, p.48b, Śl.252.

651. अतस्तदाप्यबाध्यत्वं गुणानां व्यासशासनात् ।

Y.M.,B.S, p.48, Śl.254.

652. तत्तन्नमोक्तधर्माणां यदि ब्रह्मणि नान्वयः ।

रूपमात्रस्यैकनाम्नासिद्धेशास्त्रमनर्थकम् ॥

Ibid, p.49 Śl.258.

653. See;

Śaṅkara, 'Brahmasūtrabhāṣya' Introduction to second quarter
of first Adhyāya.

Śaṭśāstri - Śaṅkara: Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, Vol.1,p.145.

See also; In the first Pāda, it has been said that according to the Sūtra "Janmādyasya yataḥ" (Br.Sū.I.1.2) Brahma is the cause of all this transitory world such as the Akāsha etc., and by that, impliedly it is as good as said, how Brahma, the cause of all this world, has the attributes of being all-pervading, eternal, omniscient, all powerful and the self of all. After stating that certain words well-known to have another meaning, are infact indicative of Brahma, and that certain sentences, though they are clearly the indicatory marks of Brahma, are doubted as being so, it has also been determined that they refer to Brahma. Again, there are certain other sentences which do not clearly seem to be the indicatory marks of Brahma, and are doubted as to their significance, i.e, it is doubted whether they propound Brahma or something else. The second and the third Padas are begun with a view to determine that.

Apte, V.M., Brahmasūtra Shākarabhāṣya ' Popular Book Depot, Bombay, 1960, p.93.

653A. द्रुवाद्यायतनत्वाद्या धर्मस्त्वत्र वर्णिताः ।
निर्विशेषं क्व मीमांसा क्वेयं सल्लिङ्गशब्दभूः ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.49, Śl.259.

654. अतो नन्तगुणं ब्रह्मेत्येव सूत्रकृतो मतम् ।
Ibid., Śl.260.

655. See for details Supra.

656. तत्त्वस्यावेदकं किंचित्किंचित्तत्त्वस्य वेदकम् ।
इति वेदेषु यद्वैधं न तत्सूत्रकृतो मतम् ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.50b, Śl.262.

657. जीवेशभेददाढ्योक्तेरहमज्ञ इतीरितं ।
अज्ञप्रत्यक्षम् ॥
Ibid, Śl.264.
658. See;
आनन्दमयरूपे तु ब्रह्मणः पुच्छतोक्तितः ।
... ब्रह्मता वयवेऽपि स्यात् तथाऽवयविनि स्वतः ॥
Madhva, Anuvyākhyāna, (Sarvamūlagranthah-Vol.1) p.15.
659. Tait.Up.II-5.
Śankara comments the very passage, that the Ātman abiding in blissful sheath has its Śira as lovely as that of the sight of affectionate ones, since Śira (head) being the chief organ or part.
तस्यानन्दमयस्यात्मनः हृष्टपुत्रादिदर्शनं प्रियं
शिरः इव शिरः प्राधानान्यात् ।
Subramanyashastri, Upaniṣadbhāṣya, Shankara: Taittirīyopaniṣadbhāṣyam, p.509.
660. Tait.Up.II-5.
661. Ibid.,
662. प्रियमोदप्रमोदानन्दात्मोऽध्वगित्य पादपि ।
सजातीयो यतो वश्यं ततो ब्रह्मबृहत्सुखम् ॥
प्रियमोदप्रमोदानन्दादिसर्वं सुखं हि तत् ।
प्राचुर्यार्थं मयद्वाच्यं सर्वं पूर्णं च तत्किल ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.51b, Ślokas 270, 271.
प्रकृतवचने मयद् । V-4-21.
वृत्तिः- तदिति प्रथमा समर्थविभक्तिः, प्राचुर्येण प्रस्तुतं प्रकृतम् ।
प्रथमासमर्थात् प्रकृतोपाधिके र्थे वर्तमानात्स्वार्थे मयद् प्रत्ययो भवति ।
समूहवच्य बहुषु । 5-4-22.
वृत्तिः- तत्प्रकृतवचन इत्येव । बहुषु प्रकृतेष्वच्यमानेषु समूहवत्प्रत्यया भवन्ति ।
चकारान्मयद् च ।
Vasu.S.C. The Aṣṭhādhyāyī of Pāṇini,
Motilal Banarasidass, Delhi, Vol.2, 1962, p.991.

663. सोऽश्नुते सर्वान् कामान्सह । ब्रह्मणां विपश्चितेति ।
Tait.Up.II-1.

664. अतोत्रापि ब्रह्मपदं मुन्नामसुखसूचकम् ।
Y.M.,B.S, p.51, Śl.273.

665. अन्योऽन्तर आत्माऽऽनन्दमयः । ...। आनन्द आत्मा ।
Tait.Up.II-9.
 विज्ञानमानन्दं ब्रह्म Brih.Up. III-9-28.
 आनन्दमय इत्याद्यैः शब्दैर्वाच्यो हरिः स्वयम् ।
Madhva, Anuvyākhyāna, Sarvamūlagranthāḥ-Vol.1) p.15.

666. पादादिकेशपर्यन्तमेवमानन्दरूपताम् ।
 श्रुतिस्तु स्पष्टमाचष्ट सूत्रकारोऽप्यसूत्रयत् ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.52b, Śl.275.
 Cf: "अथातो ब्रह्मजिज्ञासे"ति यस्य ब्रह्मणः जिज्ञासा
 कर्तव्यतयोक्ता तच्च ब्रह्म तैत्तिरीयश्रुतावानन्द मयस्य
 पुच्छाख्यावयवरूपं प्रतीयते ।। अतः संगतिसद्भावादानन्दमयस्य
 ब्रह्मत्वमत्र समर्थत इति भावः ।। अवयविन एवानन्दमयस्य
 जिज्ञास्यत्वप्राप्तेः ।। अतो ब्रह्मजिज्ञासासिद्ध्यर्थमानन्दमयोऽभ्यसादि-
 त्यानन्दमयस्य विष्णुत्वमाह सूत्रकार इति भावः ।

Panchamukhi R.S. Jayatīrtha, Tattvaparakāśikā:(Brahmasūtra-
 -bhāṣya with com.of Jayatīrtha and Rāghavendratīrth)K.H.R.S,
 Dharwad., 1980 p.90.

667. Supra. In 347A

668. See; Supra, 659.
 See also:- यच्च तेभ्यो आभ्यन्तरं, येन ते सर्वे आत्मवन्तः,
 तद्ब्रह्म पुच्छं प्रतिष्ठा । तदेव च सर्वस्याविद्यापरिकल्पितस्य
 द्वैतस्यावसानभूतमद्वैतं ब्रह्म प्रतिष्ठा ।
 Subramanya shastri: Saṅkara: Taittirīyopaniṣadbhāṣya,
 (Upaniṣadbhāṣyam) p.510.

669. Tait.Up.II-5.
670. यतश्च तैव पुरुषविध स्वेति तद्वपुः ।
विनिर्णयति तेनास्य तनुरासीदबाधिता ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.52, Śl.278.
671. अतःपूर्णानन्दमात्रं सुखाद्याकारसुन्दरम् ।
नारायणं परं ब्रह्म प्रियमेवेति च श्रुतिः ॥
अवधारयन्ती प्रकृतिप्रकृतांशविवर्जितम् ।
केवलानुभवानन्दरूपाकारमनोहरम् ॥
Ibid, Ślokas,279 & 280.
672. त्रयाणामेकभावानाम्।
Bhāg.IV-7-54,
तस्मादेवमैक्यं पश्यन्कृतार्थो भवतीत्याह ।
त्रयाणां ब्रह्म विष्णुरुद्राणामेको भावः स्वरूपम् येषाम् ।
Krishnashankarshastri, Śrīdharaswāmi, 'Bhāvārthadīpikā'
(Śrīmadbhāgavatam Vol.4) Nadiyada Gujarat, 1966,p.185.
673. निर्णायकानुसारेण निर्णयस्य गतिं विदुः ।
Y.M.,B.S, p.53b, Śl.285.
674. भेदशब्दो हि विद्वदिभर्मिथो भेदे प्रयुज्यते ।
भ्रमे विरोधे धीभेदे नाशेन्योन्यविमिश्रणे ॥
असंयुक्ततयान्योन्यस्थितिश्चापि भिदोच्यते ॥
Ibid, Śl.287.
675. अप्यवाग्वृत्तयो यस्य महित्वे स्वभुवादयः ।
यथामति गृणन्तिस्म कृतानुग्रहविग्रहम् ॥
Ibid, p.57, Śl.312.
676. अन्तर्यामिविवक्षायां भेदोनाशो भ्रमोऽपि वा ।
मिश्रणं वा क्रमोद्देशु त्रितयं वाङ्निषेधति ॥
Ibid, p.60b, Śl.329.

677. भयं द्वितीयाभिनिवेशतः स्याद्विशादपेतस्य विपर्ययो स्मृतिः ।
तन्माययातो बुध आभजेत्तं भक्त्यैक्येशं गुरुदेवतात्मा ॥
Bhāg.XI-2-37.

678. भयं द्वितीयाभिनिवेशतः।

Bhāg.XI-2-37.

ननु विषयविक्षिप्तचित्तस्य कुतो व्यभियारिणी भक्तिः
सम्भवति कुतस्तरामभयम् । तत्र न तावद्विषयो नाम
वास्तवोऽस्ति किन्तु मनोविलासमात्रमतो मनो नियमनेन
भजनादभयं स्यादित्याह । अविद्यमानो पीति ।
द्वयः द्वैतप्रपञ्चः ध्यातुः पुंसो धिया मनसा स्वप्नश्च
मनोरथश्च यथा तथेत्यर्थः ।।

Krishnashankarashastri, Śrīdharaswāmī Bhāvārthadīpikā
(Śrīmadbhāgavatam Vol.11) p.70.

679. तत्रागृहादभयं तस्यात्ततो भक्त्या भजेश्वरम् ।
इत्याह नो चेदाक्यस्य पूर्वोत्तरविरुद्धता ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.63 Śl.361.

680. पूर्वोत्तराविरुद्धार्थं वदेन्मीमांसया बुधः ।
न चेदाकाशशब्देन परं ब्रह्म कथं जगुः ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.64b, Śl.366.

681. Bhāg.VII-6-20.

Bhāg.VII-7-41.

ॐ Bhāg.III-32-41.

682. अपिचाभिनिवेशस्य भयदत्त्वे स एव हि ।
त्याज्यस्यात्सोऽपि बाध्योऽन द्वितीयं केन बाध्यते ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.64, Śl.369.

683. द्रव्यं कर्म च कालश्च स्वभावोजीव एव च ।
यदनुग्रहतः सन्ति न सन्ति यदुपेक्षया ॥
Madhva, Anuvyākhyāna (Sarvamūlāgranthāh-Vol.1) p.2

684. Bhāg.IV-28-62.

अहं भवान्नयान्यस्त्वं। Bhāg.IV-28-62.

तत्त्वंपदार्थयोश्चिदंशैक्यमाह । अहमेव भवान् । उपचारं वारयति ।

न चान्य इति । व्यतिहारोपदेश उक्ताभिप्राय एव ।

Krishnashankarashastri, 'Śrīdharaswāmi, 'Bhāvātthadīpikā'
(Śrīmadbhāgavatam: Vo.4) p.709.

685. त्वमेवाहमितिप्रोक्तोऽप्यैक्याशा नैव शक्यते ।

त्वमेवाहमितिप्राहुरतिस्निग्धं यतो जनाः ॥

Y.M.,B.S, p.67 Śl.382.

686. तस्मादेतादृशे वाक्ये प्रतीतिर्ये तु बाधिते ।

प्रेमग्राह्यम् ।।

Ibid, Śl.384.

687. इति भागवते प्रोक्ता ततो हंसस्य वागपि ।

लोकानुसारिणी बोध्यहंसे प्रेमैवशंसति ॥

Ibid., Śl.386.

688. अथवा बिम्बभूतस्य स्वस्यस्वप्रतिबिम्बतः ।

जीवाद्वक्त्यविनाभावं नत्वैक्यं वक्ति बाधितम् ॥

Y.M.,B.S, p.68b, Śl.387.

689. अहं भवान्नयेत्येकं वाक्यं वात्र विभिधते ।

अन्यस्त्वमित्यन्यदेव वाक्यं तेनात्मभिन्नताम् ।

इतिवाक्यान्तरेणासौ त्वमेव त्वय्यहं मतिं ।

कुरुनान्यैरिति ब्रूते स्पष्टं तद्व्याख्ययोर्भिदा ॥

Ibid., p.68, Ślokas, 391, 392 & 393.

690. Bhagavadgītā- XI-8.

691. Bhāg.IV-28-42.

एवं स मानसो हंसो हंसेन प्रतिबोधितः ।

स्वस्तस्तद्व्याभिचारेण नष्टामाप पुनस्त्वृतिम् ॥

Y.M.,B.S, p.70, Śl.401.

692. भूतेन्द्रियान्तःकरणात्प्रधानाज्जीवसंज्ञितात् ।
आत्मा तथा पृथग्दृष्टा भगवान्ब्रह्मसंज्ञितः ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.70, Śl.404.
693. Chā.Up. VI-2-1.
694. Bṛih.Up. III-9-26.
695. तृतीयस्कन्धैषावाग्जडाज्जीवात्पृथक्कृतम् ।
अद्वितीयश्रुतेरर्थं तृतीयं ब्रह्मसंज्ञितं ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.71b, Śl.405.
न तु द्वितीयाभावमिति स्वविस्तृष्टैक्यवचनस्य
गुणिकथनपूर्वकमनया वाचा भगवति जीव-
जडभेदः साधित इति भावः ।
Bh.Vi., Com.on.Y.M., B.S., p.71b.
696. Supra (fn.520A, & 648)
तस्मादेवंजातीयकेषु वाक्येषु यथाश्रुतं
निराकारमेव ब्रह्म अवधारयितव्यम् ।
Br.Sū.Bhā. III-2-14.
Ṣaṭṣāstri, Śāṅkara. Brahmasūtrabhāṣya,
केवलो निर्गुणश्च ।
Swet.Up. VI-11.
697. वाक्यलक्षणास्वीकारे तत्त्वमसीत्यादौ वाक्यलक्षणयापि
अखण्डचैतन्य बोधो निर्विकल्पकरूपः
सुसम्पादः इत्यपि बोध्यम् ।
Joshi.H., Dharmarajadhvarindra, Vedāntaparibhāṣa, with com.
p.182.
698. Supra.
699. भगवत्त्वेन नैर्गुण्यमखण्डार्थं च संज्ञया ।
निराखण्डं ब्रह्मनिष्ठां स्पष्टमाखण्डवान्यताम् ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.71, Śl.409.

700. Supra, fn 258

701. मतिभेदोपि भेदेस्यान्नैकदैकस्यधीर्दिधा ।
युगपन्मतिभेदो वा युगपत्स्थानभिन्नता ॥
वैकक्ष्यं च युगपदिभन्नयोरेवनान्यथा ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.72b, Slokas, 413 & 414.

702. Swet.Up., IV-6, Mund.Up., III-1-1.

703. मत्यैक्य स्थानैक्य कथकपदद्वयबलान्मति
भेदादौ नेतुमपि न शक्येति भावः ।
Bh.Vi, com,on.Y.M., B,S, p.72.

704. ब्रह्मत्वापूर्णतातृत्वपूर्वैर्जीविप्रकाशकैः ।
नित्यमुक्ततत्त्वपूर्णत्वानतृत्वाद्यैः परप्रियैः ॥
विस्मयधर्मसद्रत्नैश्चूडारत्नायितैस्तदा ।
अलंकृता भेदवाक्तु नैव स्वार्थं विमुञ्चति ॥
Y.M., B,S, p.72 & 73b, Slokas, 418 & 419.

705. ऐक्यश्रुतिस्तुमत्यैक्ये स्थानैक्ये स्वार्थमुज्झति ।
एकीभूताविमावित्यत्रैक्यं न हि तयोर्द्वयोः ॥
Ibid., p.73b, Sl.420.

706. The Śruti passage occurs in both the Kāthopaniṣad and the Śwetāśvataropaniṣad ^{with} some change in the second Pāda or line. But it is to be noted that the dissolution of the Śruti words changes from one Up, to another in the Advaita. In the Kāth.Up., the Advaita reads the passage 'Nityo anityānām' whereas in the Śwet.Up., reading is 'Nityo nityānām'. And in both the cases, passage is interpreted accordingly. (i) This difference in reading of the passages has not been even traced and notified by Jacob. (ii) In the Dvaita, reading of the Passage is as 'Nityo nityānām ...'. Here Vādirāja does not refer to Śwet.Up. but refers to the passage of Kāth.Up. running 'Nityo nityānām ...' (iii) and not as Nityo anityānām.. '...

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- (1) नित्योऽनित्यानां चेतनश्चेतनाना
मेको बहूनां यो विदधाति कामान् ।
तमात्मस्थं येऽनुपश्यन्ति धीराः
तेषां शान्तिः शाश्वती नेतरेषाम् ॥

Katha.V-13.

Subramanya shastri, S., Sāṅkara: 'Kāthopaniṣadbhāṣya'
(Upaniṣadbhāṣya), Mahesh Research Institute, p.114.

- नित्यो नित्यानां चेतनश्चेतनाना
मेको बहूनां यो विदधाति कामान् ।
तत्कारणं सांख्ययोगाधिगम्यं

ज्ञात्वा देवं मुच्यते सर्व पापैः ॥

Swet.Up.VI-13. Gita Press, Gorakhpur, p.245.

- (ii) Jacob, A Concordance to the Principal Upaniṣads and
Bhagavadgītā, Motilal Banarasidass, Deslhi, 1971, p.491.

- (iii) Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.73b.

707. आत्मस्थमनुपश्यन्ति नाभेदेन तमीश्वरम् ।
केचित्पश्यन्ति केचिच्च न पश्यन्ति किलप्रभुम् ॥
शाश्वतं च सुखं तेषामुक्तरीत्यैव पश्यताम् ।
नाभेदकृतबुद्धीनां नाज्ञानां च भवेत्किल ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.73, Śloka, 424 & 425.

708. महासामर्थ्यमीशस्य प्रभुत्वं च प्रसाधितम् ।
उपादानादिविज्ञानात् सार्वज्ञादिमहागुणाः ।
स्वातन्त्र्यं तस्य जीवानां पारतन्त्र्यं च साधितम् ॥
Ibid., p.74b, Śl.429.

709. एक एव विदधाति न त्वन्य प्रेरित इत्युक्त्या स्वतन्त्रः
कर्तेति वचनात्कर्तृत्वोक्त्या च स्वातन्त्र्यम् । तद्वत्त-
भोगभोक्तृत्वाज्जीवानां पारतन्त्र्यं च ।
Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.74

710. भेदकार्यकरशक्तिविशेषः परमात्मनि ।
Y.M., B.S, p.74, Śl.433.

711. मुक्तानां बहुता मुक्तस्वामित्वं च प्रभोरभूत् ।
 आत्मस्थ भगवद्वृष्टेर्मुक्तावप्यनुवर्तनम् ॥
Ibid., p.75b, Śl.437.
 इतोपि गुणादेर्नमिध्यात्त्वमितिभावः ।
Bh.VI., com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.75.

712. चेतनानां बहुत्वोक्त्या जीवभेदः परस्परम् ।
 दातुः प्रभोरनेकेभ्यो भेदश्चैकस्य सिध्यति ॥
 तेन जीवेशयोर्भेदः साधितस्तोपपत्तिकः ।
 काम्यानां च बहुत्वोक्त्या जडभेदः परस्परम् ।
 तेषामीशकृतोत्वोक्त्या जडेश्वरभिदा तथा ॥
Y.M., B.S, Pp.75,76b, Ślokas, 440,441,442.

712A. एकजीवकथाजीवाभेदो जीवेश्वराभिदा ।
 चिद्रूपतैव जीवानां चित्त्यकर्तृत्वामित्यपि ॥
 निष्प्रकारैक्यविज्ञानान्मुक्तिर्जगदसत्यता ।
 सकृत्सर्वविमोक्षयेत्येतत्सर्वं हि दूषितम् ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.76, Ślokas, 445 & 446.

712B. ...अतो ब्रवीत्यंश इति जीवो ईश्वरस्यांशो भवितुमर्हति,
 यथाग्नेर्विस्फुलिङ्गः । अंश इवांशो न हि
 निरवयवस्य मुख्योऽंशो सम्भवति ।
 Ṣaṭśāstri, Śaṅkara, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, Vol.1, p.603.

713. तर्हि देहाद्युपाधीनां गमनं केन हेतुना ।
 ब्रह्मणो निष्क्रियत्वोक्तेस्तदन्यस्य जडत्वतः ।
Y.M., B.S, p.77, Śl.453.

714. Supra. in SS3A

715. ब्रह्मचैतन्यस्य व्याप्तत्वेन चालकत्वाभावात्
 तथा जीवच्छरीराणामपि मृतशरीरस्वभावोऽभूदितिभावः ।
Bh.VI., com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.78b.

716. भवेयुर्निष्क्रिया संग्रहदेहोपि स्याद्विद निष्क्रियः ।
Y.M., B.S., p.78, Śl.465.
717. See; Gautamachandraj; Jivaraja Kunda Kunda
Prābhṛta Saṅgraha (Hind. Edn). Gulabchand
 Hirachanda Doshi. Sholapur, 1960. Pp. 29-30
718. See: उत्क्रान्तिगत्यागतीनाम् । Br.Sū, II-3-19,
 हेतूनां सकाशादणुरेव ।
 "सोऽस्माच्छरीरादुत्क्रस्यामुं लोकमभिगच्छत्यमुष्मादिमं
 लोकमगच्छति स गर्भमभवति स प्रसूयते स कर्म कुरुते"
 इति पौष्यायणश्रुतेः ।
 स्वात्माना चोत्तरयोः । Br.Sū, II-3-20,
 ... इत्युत्तरवाक्ययोः परमात्मनैवोत्क्रान्त्यादयः ।
 Madhva. Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, Pp-97 & 98.
 चलदंशो हि जीवः स्थान्न स्थिरांशः कदाचन ।
Y.M., B.S., p.79b, Śl.469.
719. उपाधिस्तु कार्यान्वयी व्यावर्तको वर्तमानश्च ।
 तदेव ... मायोपाधिकं च सत् ईश्वरसाक्षीत्युच्यते ।
 Joshi, H., Dharmarajadhvarindra, Vedānta paribhāṣā, Pp.71 & 73.
720. परिस्पन्दक्रियानैव परे ब्रह्मणि ते मते ।
 सहस्रोपाधि सम्बन्धेऽप्यक्रियस्य क्रिया न हि ॥
 किं क्रिया निष्क्रिये व्योम्नि स्यात्कारकशतैरपि ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.79b, Ślokas, 470 & 472.
721. अतश्चैताणुता सिद्धा तवापि च समापि च ।
Ibid. p.73 Śl.473.
722. अन्यच्च ब्रह्म चैतन्यं सदा सर्वत्र तिष्ठति ।
 स्वच्छमच्छेद्यमच्छिद्रं कूटस्थमवलं ध्रुवं ॥
Ibid. p.80, b Śl.480.
723. ब्रह्मखण्डा न जीवास्तद्ब्रह्मणि क्वाप्यखण्डनात् ।
 अखण्डितं च तद्ब्रह्म निच्छिद्रत्वादितिभिचतम् ॥
Ibid. p.81, Śl.489.

724. विचित्रशक्तियुक्तोऽसौ सर्वज्ञः सकलेश्वरः ।
स्वतन्त्रोऽखिलकर्ता च सदाणीयान्महान्किल ॥
तच्छक्त्या किं न घटते सोऽपि न स्वात्मधातकः ॥
Ibid., p.82b, Ślokas, 494 & 495.
725. न नित्यशुद्धबुद्धमुक्तस्वभावस्य तद्योगस्तद्योगादृते ।
Sāṅkhya Sū.I-19.
तस्मात् तद्योगादृते प्रकृतिसंयोगं विना न पुरुषस्य
तद्योगो बन्ध सम्पर्कोऽस्ति, अपि तु स एव बन्धः ।
Bhattacharya, R. 'Sāṅkhyasūtram' with Bhāṣya of
Vijñānabhikṣu, Bharatiya Vidya Prakashana, Varanasi, 1977,
p.16.
726. ब्रह्मणो जीवभावोक्तिरतोऽयुक्तितराविदाम् ।
यतः प्रागक्रियाव्याप्तायिदेका सक्रियास्त्वमी ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.84b, Śl.507.
727. क्वचित्पुराणादौ ब्रह्मांशत्वेकधनं तदधीनत्वादेव ।
नतु मत्स्यादिवत् तदेकदेशत्वात् ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.84b.
728. अनादितोऽपि जीवास्ते संहरन्ति पृथक्च तत् ।
अतो मोक्षेऽपि नैवैक्यं न हि कन्धापरः पुमान् ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.84b, Śl.508.
729. हरेरनेकताणुत्वं महत्त्वं चेति मन्मतम् ।
अतो गतागताद्यं च युक्तं शक्त्या ममप्रभोः ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.84, Śl.511.
जीवानां चाणुत्वैकस्वभावत्वेन केवलं सक्रियत्वेन
च भगवतोऽत्यन्तविलक्षणत्वादत्यन्तभेदश्चेति सर्वमवदातम् ।
Bh.Vi., Com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.84.
- 729A. Mahānārāyaṇopaniṣad.X-6.

730. अन्तर्बहिः तत्सर्वं व्याप्यनारायणस्स्थितः ।
इति श्रुतेनैव व्याप्तचेतन्यद्वयमापतेत् ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.85b, Sl.515.
731. जीवास्त्वाकाशमध्यस्थत्रसरेणुणोपमाः ।
तस्माद्ब्रह्मैक्यमेतेषां नाभूदस्ति न भविष्यति ॥
Ibid.
732. The cosmic Jīva is alone the awakened Jīva and all the rest are but his imaginings. This is known as the doctrine of ekājīva (one-soul), Dasagupta S: 'A History of Indian Philosophy' Vol.1, 477.
733. The opposite of this doctrine is the theory held by some Vedāntists that there are many individuals and world-appearance has no permanent illusion for all people, but each person creates for himself his own illusion, and there is no objective datum which forms the common ground for the illusory perception of all people ... According to this view the illusory perception of each happens for him subjectively and has no corresponding objective phenomena as its ground.
Dasagupta, S, 'A History of Indian Philosophy', Vol.1, p.477.
734. देहादिकं मृषा तैस्तु नानादेहस्य चेतनाः ।
मृषाचेद्गमनं न स्याद्ब्रज्जुसर्पो न सर्पति ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.87b, Sl.531.
735. सत्येन ब्रह्मणा तेषामैक्यं न स्यान्मृषात्मनाम् ।
Ibid., p.87, Sl.533.
736. मृषा भेदं घटव्योम प्रचलेत्तत्र तत्र किम् ।
जलेन जलपंकेन लिप्यते किं दिने दिने ॥
Ibid., p.88b, Sl.540.

737. निष्क्रियब्रह्मभागाश्चेत् सक्रियत्वं न कर्हिचित् ।
निष्क्रियाकाशभागास्ते सक्रिया केनवाकृताः ॥
Ibid, p.88b, Sl.542.

737A. Rgveda, X-190.3.

738. त्वानुभवसिद्धस्य मर्यादारक्षकस्य च ।
जीवेश्वरादि भेदस्य मृषात्वं केन हेतुना ॥
यथानुभवमेवार्थस्तदा सर्वत्र तिष्ठतु ।
जीवो जीवोस्तु सर्वत्र जडमस्तु जडं सदा ।
ईशस्तसर्वत्र चेशोऽस्तु ... ।
Ibid., p.88, 89b, Slokas 545, 546, and 457.

739. सर्वं खल्विदं ब्रह्म । Chā.Up.III-14-1.
Sankara comments ...

इदं जगत् नामरूपव्याकुतं प्रत्यक्षादि-
विषयं ब्रह्म कारणम् ।....। एवं ब्रह्मात्मतया
त्रिषु कालेषु अविशिष्टं तद्व्यतिरेकेण अग्रहणात् ।
अतः तदेवेदं जगत् ।
Saccidanandendrasarasvati, Sāṅkara:Chāndogyopaniṣadbhāṣya,
(Upaniṣad bhāṣya Vol.6) Adhyatma Prakasa Karyalaya,
Holenarasipur, 1956, p.338.

740. जडैक्यमेव घटयेद्विदंतेतिप्रियमतम् ।

....
तुष्यमानमिदं सर्वं ब्रह्मेत्यैक्यानुशासनात् ।
जडस्य ब्रह्मणैक्येऽपि काले दानिर्निगद्यताम् ॥
Y.M.,B.S., p.90 & 91, Slokas, 559 & 566.

740A. Supra. In 520A

741. एवं च बन्धो मिथ्या किमर्थं तत्परिहारोद्योग इत्युक्ते
सोऽपि मिथ्येत्येव परस्यसिद्धान्तोऽनुमीयते । अतः
कस्य बन्धः कस्य मोक्षः न कस्यापीतिभावः ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M.,B.S., p.92.

742. वाक्यार्थस्य प्रत्यक्षाधाभावात् प्रत्युत भगवदधीन-
त्वस्य सर्वरूप्यनुभूयमानत्वाच्च प्रत्यक्षसत्कृतम् ।
Bh.Vi.,com.on.Y.M.,B.S, p.92,
- 742A. "मृदब्रवीत्" "आपो ब्रुवन्", इत्यादिवचनात्
युक्तिविरुद्धो वेद इत्यतोऽब्रवीत् -
अभिमानिव्यपदेशस्तु विशेषानुगतिभ्याम् ।
Br.Sū.II-1-6.
मृदाद्यभिमानिदेवता तत्र व्यपदिश्यते ।
तासां चेतरेभ्यो विशिष्टं सामर्थ्यमनुगतिश्च सर्वत्र ...।
Madhva.Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ-Vol.1)p.62.
तत्तन्नामान एवैते तत्तद्वस्त्वभिमानिनः ।
सन्ति तेषां विशेषेण शक्तिरन्येभ्य उच्यते ॥
Madhva.Anuvyākhyāna, (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ-Vol.1) p.62.
743. सत्यं प्रियं वयो वाच्यं वाच्यं नासत्यमप्रियम् ।
यदच्युतोऽमित्युच्यैरुच्यरन्वोऽङ्कशच्युतः ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.93 Śl.582.
See also; Bhāg.X-66-1 to 23.
744. ... नित्यमुक्तभगवत्सारूप्यमात्रस्य स्यात् कथंचिदुपमा ।
Bh.Vi,com.on.Y.M.,B.S, p.94.
745. एवं मुक्तियोग्य जीवस्यैव साधनानुष्ठानेपि
मुक्तिस्त्यान्नतु यस्य कस्यापि जीवस्य ...।
तथा ज्ञानेन मुक्तोपि ज्ञानान्मुक्तजीवान्तरेण स्वभावमुक्त-
परमात्मना चाभिन्नो न भवति । किन्तु स्वयमपि
मुक्तान्तरवन्मुक्तो भवतीति भावः ।
Ibid, p.95b.
746. एवमेव परमात्मनि निलीनतया अन्तःप्रविष्टानां
सायुज्यमुक्तानां मन्ददृष्टिभिः पृथग्दर्शनेपि नैक्यमिति भावः ।
Ibid.

747. एवं भिन्नस्वभावानां जीवानां ब्रह्मणीश्वरे ।
...
ऐक्यं वाक्यशतेनापि वक्तुं शक्यं न कुत्रचित् ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.95, Slokas, 590 & 591.
748. यदीश्वरो समर्थस्त्यात्कथं सर्वं जगदभवेत् ।
यदीश्वरस्समर्थस्त्यात्कथं सर्वं जगदभवेत् ।
Ibid, p.96, Sl.599.
749. श्रुत्युक्तं यदि तत्त्वं स्यादद्वैतस्य न तत्त्वता ।
श्रुत्युक्तं यद्यतत्त्वं स्यादद्वैतस्य न तत्त्वता ॥
Ibid, p.97, Sl.604.
750. यदि ज्ञानेपि चाज्ञानं न संसारो हरेरयं ।
यदि ज्ञाने न चाज्ञानं न संसारो हरेरयं ॥
Ibid, p.98b, Sl.606.
751. सर्वथा हरेर्ज्ञानाभावे ज्ञानप्रतीतिरेव तस्मिन्नयोगा-
-दितिभावः ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.98b.
752. अहंकारो हि लोकानां विकारो दुस्त्यजो महान् ।
अधमाधमो जीवो ह्यधिकादधिकः किल ॥
Y.M., B.S, p. Sl.611.
753. शिवोऽहं भावधीर्भोगि रोगेमृत्युंजयार्चकः ।
Ibid, p.98b, Sl.616.
754. अंशपदसाम्येपि जीवानामल्पशक्तित्वादिभन्नांशत्वं,
मत्स्यादीनां अंशिवदतिसमर्थत्वादभिन्नांशत्वमिति
भावः । तस्माद्विचित्र चरित्रयोश्चशब्दसाम्येपि नार्थैक्यमिति भावः ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., B.S. p.
755. Bhag.I-3-28.

- 755A. कलास्त्वे हरेरेव सप्रजापतयस्तथा ।
Bhāg.I-3-27.
756. स्वरूपांशोऽस्ति भिन्नांशोऽप्यस्ति शब्दविशेषणात् ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.100 Śl.621.
757. भिन्नांशे तु तदीयत्वं भिन्नाभिन्नेऽर्थसाम्यता ।
अभिन्ने सर्वसाम्यं स्याद्यथा मत्स्यादिषु प्रभोः ॥
Ibid, p.100b, Śl.623.
Cf: स्वांशश्चाथो विभिन्नांश इति द्वेधांश इष्यते ।
अंशिनो यत्तुसामर्थ्यं यत्स्वरूपं यथा स्थितिः ।
तदेव नाणुमात्रोऽपि भेदः स्वांशांशिनोः क्वचित्
विभिन्नांशोऽल्पशक्तिस्तस्यात्किंचित्सादृश्यमात्रयुक् । इति वाराहे ।
See also;
द्विरूपांशकौ तस्य परमस्य हरेर्विभोः ।
प्रतिबिम्बांशकश्चाथ स्वरूपांश एव च ॥
प्रतिबिम्बांशका जीवाः प्रादुर्भावाः परे स्मृताः ।
प्रतिबिम्बेष्वल्पसाम्यं स्वरूपाणि तराणि तु ॥ इति ॥
Madhva: Brahmasūtrabhāṣya - Pp.105,106 & 107.
758. जीवास्तु ब्रह्मभिन्नांशाः सार्वज्ञादेरभावतः ।
मत्स्यादयः स्वरूपांशाः सार्वज्ञादेः प्रभावतः ॥
भिन्नाभिन्नाः पटादंशास्ते जडेष्वेव नाजडे ॥
अतस्त्रैविध्यमंशेषु तुवरिमितिमे मतिः ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.101, Ślokas 624, 625 and 626.
- 758A. Brih.Up.VII-1-1 ..
759. अतोऽतिभिन्न एवायं जीवाख्यांशो भवेद्भुवम् ।
विरुद्धमक्रान्तत्वं भेदको न वदेद्बुधः ॥
Ibid, p.102 Śl.632.
- 759A. एकस्यैव ममांशस्य जीवस्यैवं महामते ।
बन्धोऽस्याविद्ययानादिः विद्यया च तथेतरः ॥
Bhāg.XI-11-4.

760. See: अंशो नानाव्यपदेशादन्यथा चापि दशकितवादि-
त्वमधीयत स्के । Br.Sū.II-iii-43.

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अंशो ह्येष परस्य योऽयं ...।

अन्यः परेऽन्यो जीवो।

तथा चाग्निवेश्य श्रुतिः - "अंशो ह्येष परस्य भिन्नं

ह्येनमधीयिरे अभिन्नं ह्येनमधीयिरे ।" "इति ॥

Madhva. Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ-vol.1)

Pp.104 & 105.

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London, 1971, Vol.2, Pp.610 & 611.
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जीवो निजाज्ञानवशेन कल्पितान् ।
अनेक जीवान् प्रतिभासदेहिनः
पश्यत्यबोधेऽपगते न पश्यति ॥

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सर्वेऽप्यविद्यापरिकल्पित । यतो

Sāstri, K. Sadananda, 'Pratyaktattvacintāmaṇi', Pp.301 & 302.

763. बहुजीवमते जीवा देहे देहे पृथक्पृथक् ।
योनिभेदात्कर्मभेदाद्गतिभेदाच्च संसृतौ ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.104, Ś1.646.

764. ब्रह्मैक्ये जीवभावस्यैवाभावात्किं मिथो मिथा ।
Ibid, Ś1.649.

मुक्तजानां जीवानां अंशानां ब्रह्मणैक्येऽपि अंशानां

परस्परमैक्यस्य लोके अदृष्टत्वात् अयुक्तत्वाच्च ।

Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.

765. अतोऽंशानां समस्तानां मिथस्त्वैक्यं कदा वद ।
विचार्यमाणे यन्नासीन्नभवे नापुनर्भवे ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.105b, Ś1.651.

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Ibid. p.111b, Ś1.697.
776. तस्यैवायं यदिस्वप्नः कस्य जागरणं वद ।
 तच्च तस्यैव चेदेते विरुद्धे कथमेकदा ॥
Y.M.,B.S. p.111, Ś1.699.
777. अतः सर्वथा जागरणं तत्समानाधिकरणस्वप्नश्च
 अन्यस्यैवेति वक्तव्यम् ।
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778. यदि देहेषु जीवास्त्युर्नैकजीवमतं तव ।
 यदि देहेषु ते न स्युः नैकजीवमतं तव ॥
Y.M.,B.S. p.112b; Ś1.703.
779. देहेन सह सर्वेषु देहेष्वेको न गच्छति ।
 देहं विसृज्य गच्छेच्च्येन्मृतस्य स्यात्पुनर्भवः ॥
Ibid. p.112, Ś1.705.
780. यद्यस्यमायासृष्टिस्ता दृष्टा कोस्यास्तदा वद ।
 स्वयं चेन्नास्य माया भून्नापरोस्त्येकजीविनः ॥
Y.M.,B.S. p.115b, Ś1.721.
781. अथस्वयं ब्रह्मणोऽस्तत्त्वांशास्तर्वेन्य देहिनः ।
 इति चेदेकजीवत्वं किं स योगप्रभाववान् ॥
Ibid., Ś1.723.
- 781A. तर्हि ब्रह्म पालकमस्तु, विधिस्त्रौ सृष्टिसंहर्तृरा-
 विति पुराणप्रक्रियामाशङ्क्य तयोः कार्यत्वेन निमित्त-
 सर्जनसंहरणसामर्थ्याभावात्
Tailanga Ramashastri, Akhandanandamuni, 'Tattvadīpanam,'
The proprietors Messrs, Braj,B.Das & Co.,Varanasi,1902,p.3.

782. अज्ञानकार्यत्वात् विधिरुद्रयोः कर्तृतानेत्येकत्रोक्तम् ।
 हृदानीं पुनरज्ञानकार्यस्यैकजीवस्य सकलजगत्कर्तृत्वमुच्यते ।
 अतः पूर्वोत्तरविरुद्धत्वात् । सूत्रविरुद्धश्च
 जीवस्य जन्मादिकारणत्वांगीकार इति भावः ।
Bh.Vi., Com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.116b.

783. एक जीवकथातस्माद्बुद्धेवेति मतिर्मम ।
 बहुजीवत्वपक्षेऽपि निर्मूला तेष्वभिन्नता ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.116, Sl.736.

784. भेदत्वाद्यदि भेदस्य मिथ्यात्वं चन्द्रभेदवत् ।
 तर्हि भेदो न मिथ्येति भेदत्वेनैव हेतुना ॥
 ब्रह्म मोक्षविभेदाख्य दृष्टान्तेनैव साध्यते ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.117b, Sl.737.

784A. त्रिविधः खलु सत्त्वार्थः ।
 पारमार्थिकः, जीवाभिन्नं ब्रह्म ।
 अथ मिथ्या यं प्रपञ्चो न त्वसन् । ... । मिथ्या भूतमपि सत्
 असत्त्वात्, उभयथापि न, ... । सदसत्त्वाभ्यामनिर्वचनीयं
 मिथ्येति चेन्न ॥ इत्थं भूतस्याप्रसिद्धत्वात् ।

Chandrashekharan, T., Anandanubhava, 'Nyāyaratnadīpāvalih!
 p.150.

784B. Q. Madhva: 'Bhagavatātātpārya' (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ-Vol.3)p.11.

785. शून्यब्रह्मविभेदो वा दृष्टान्तस्तत्र कथ्यते ।
 तदभेदस्यापि मिथ्यात्वे ब्रह्मशून्यं भवेत्तव ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.117b, Sl.740.

786. सत्यो भेदसाध्यवान्न मिथ्या चेद्वेतुमान्न मे ।
 रज्जुसर्पो न सत्सर्पस्तदभेदं भीषयेद्विकः ॥
Ibid., p.117, Sl.741.

787. नायमारोपितचन्द्र इति सच्यन्द्रधमिकः ।
Ibid, p.117, Sl.744.
788. स च स्वरूपतोस्त्येव परंनास्तितीतरात्मना ।
 अतस्तत्र सदान्यस्मादभेदावसर एव हि ॥
Ibid, p.118b, Sl.746.
789. यद्यारोपितचन्द्राणामेव भेदः परस्परम् ।
 तदासाधनवैकल्यं दृष्टान्ते प्रतिवादिनः ।
 अन्योन्याभावभेदोऽयं न ह्यसत्येषु मन्मते ॥
Ibid, Slukas, 747 & 748.
790. तदेव नास्ति चेत्कस्य तादात्म्यं कस्य शङ्कते ।
 शङ्कानं स्वतो नास्ति न तु नास्तितीतरात्मना ॥
Ibid, p.118, Sl.750.
791. यतोधर्मिस्वरूपोऽयमन्योन्याभाव ईर्यति ।
 अतोनासति सोभावो भावाभावबहिष्कृतः ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.119b, Sl.753.
792. तस्मात्साधनवैकल्यमस्मिन्पक्षे दुर्द्विदाम् ।
Y.M., B.S, p.125b, Sl.796.
793. अत आरोपितो भेदो न भेदः सर्ववादिनां ।

 अनारोपित भेदस्तु सत्य एवाखिलस्ततः ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.125b, Slukas, 797 & 798.
794. आत्मत्वात्परमात्मेव यद्यात्मायं मते तव ।
 नारीत्वात्तर्हि भार्येव तेमाता स्यात्तथैव हि ॥
Ibid, p.125, Sl.800.
795. आभासोपमहेतूनां तन्मुख्येयमुदाहृतिः ।
 अतोनुमानतोऽप्यैक्यं न सिद्ध्येत्प्रतिवादिनाम् ॥
Ibid, Sl.802.

796. यतोनुमा ततोप्यक्षागमावन्वेव सा भवेत् ।
Ibid, Sl.803.
797. Mund. Up. III-1-1.
798. त्वदभिलषितानुमानजातं च सर्वं द्रासुपर्णेत्यादि
 निरवकाशश्रुत्यनुसारित्वान्नाहं सर्वज्ञ इत्यादि प्रत्यक्षानु-
 सारित्वाच्यानुमानपदयोग्यमपि न भवतीति भावः ।
Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.125 & 126b.
799. विमतौ जीवपरमौ विरुद्धगुणवत्त्वतः ।
 अभिन्नौ नैव तुहिनदहनाविव सर्वदा ॥
 सर्वानुभवसिद्धेयमनुमा भेदसाधिका ।
Y.M., B.S, p.126b, Sl.805.
 See: द्रासुपर्णा । सत्यंभिदा सत्यं भिदा ।
- 799A. Bhāg. II-8-10.
800. न यत्र मायेतिगिरा मायाया भगवत्पदे ।
 सामान्यतो निषेधेन मायालेशोपि नेष्यते ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.127, Sl.8019.
801. हरेरनुवृता एवं तत्रापि किल चेतनाः ।
 सर्वचतुर्भुजा भिन्ना हरिणा च परस्परम् ॥
 अतो जीवेशभेदाद्यं अभेदं सर्ववादिनाम् ॥
Ibid, p.128, Slokas 824 & 827.
802. सत्य भेदोपि संसिद्धेत्येतोरागमिकत्वतः ।
Ibid, Sl.128.
803. Bhāg. V-18-6.

804. पूर्वं पूर्वं विद्यमाने यत्रेदं पूर्वता ननु ।
Y.M., B.S, p.129b, Śl.833.
 अनादित्वं च निरवधिक्रमाकालमारभ्य
 विद्यमानत्वमेव नत्वादिराहित्यमात्रम् ।
 तथा तति शङ्खगादेरप्यनादित्वप्रसङ्गेन...।
Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.129b.
- 804A. Mund.Up.I-2-8.
805. अप्रबुद्धश्च पूर्वार्थे सुप्रसिद्धो भिधीयते ।
 उत्तरार्थे त्वजो निद्रस्वप्नशून्यश्चकश्चन ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.129, Śl.837.
806. यो बोद्धा न तबोद्धो हि कर्तृकर्मविरोधतः ।
 अतः पूर्वार्थमध्यस्थो नोत्तरार्थगतो पि ते ॥
Ibid, p.130b, Śl.840.
- 806A. Mund.Up.1-2-9.
807. भेदाभावात् स्वल्पेषु सदृशाभावतो पि वा ।
 द्वन्द्वाभाच्च सो द्वैतो बोद्धवैतस्य साधनात् ॥
Ibid, p.130, Śl.840.
808. यो विद्ययान्धस्ततु नित्यबद्धो विद्यामयो यस्ततु नित्यमुक्तः ।
Bhāg. XI-11-7.
809. नित्यमुक्तोऽमृतस्थैष सेतुश्चोक्तः स्थले स्थले ।
 जीवस्तु बद्धो दुःखी च जन्ममृत्युजरावशः ॥
 सर्वविरुद्धवैतन्यद्वयं भिन्नं ह्यनादितः ।
 तयोर्नैक्यं कदापि स्यान्मुक्तसारूप्यमेत्यसौ ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.131b, Ślokas 847 & 849.
810. किंचैक्यं यदि मिथ्या स्यात् तर्हि भेदश्रुतिः सती ।
 सत्यं चेद्ब्रह्मणो भिन्नमभिन्नं वा निगद्यताम् ।
 भेदे तेनैव ते द्वैतश्रुतेस्त्यादयादिति स्फुटा ।
Ibid, p.131, Ślokas, 853, 854.

811. ऐक्यमैक्यस्य घटते कथं युक्तिविदांमते ।
 ...
 विरुद्धांशपरित्यागे न सा जीवेश्वरैकता ।
Ibid, Pp.131 & 132b, Ślokas 856 & 857.
812. सविशेषब्रह्मवादे नायं दोषो भविष्यति ।
 ...
 भेदहीनेषु भेदस्यकार्यं स कुरुते यतः ।
Y.M.,B.S., p.133b & 133, Ślokas 867 & 868.
 सः विशेषः । भेदिता अभेदेऽपि भेदभेदिभावः ।
Bh.VI.,com.on.Y.M.,B.S., p.133.
813. Chā.Up. VI.2.1.
814. Bṛih.Up. IV-4-19.
815. किंचैकमेवाद्वितीयं नेहनानेति च श्रुतिः ।
 तर्पं ब्रह्मेति वाक्यस्याद्यदि विश्वस्य बाधिका ॥
 तदाभेदपरैवामूनाभेदपरता श्रुतेः ।
 अवाध्यबाध्ययोर्भेदो यतोऽवश्यमेवेक्षितः ॥
Y.M.,B.S., p.133, Ślokas 872 & 873.
- 815A. Chā.Up. VI-8-7.
816. अद्वितीयमिति श्रुत्या द्वितीयादिभन्नतैव हि ।
 सिद्ध्येदन्वय इत्युक्त्या यथाशवादन्वयथागजे ॥
Ibid, p.135b, Śl.886.
817. किंचाद्वितीयशब्दोऽयं लयस्थ ब्रह्मगोचरः ।
 अतो जगत्प्रागभावध्वंसौ न-वक्ति नापरम् ।
Ibid, p.135; Śl.889.
818. अग्रशब्दोक्तकालस्य सत्त्वान्नत्समयेऽपि च ।
 द्वितीयशून्यं तद्ब्रह्म न तदा नान्यदाप्यभूत् ॥
Ibid, p.136b, Śl.895.

818A. See: Bhāg. III-5-27.

819. अतःस्वगतधर्मेषु स्वावतारेषु किंचन ।
नानाभूतं नेति हरेः तैरेक्यं वक्तिवागियम् ॥
Ibid, p.137b, Śl.901.

820. Kaṭh.Up. IV-10.

821. Supra.814.

822. Bṛih.Up. IV-4-15,
Kaṭh.Up. V-5.

823. ईशानोभूतमव्यत्येत्युपसंहारवाक्यं ते ।
अनीश जगद्वैतं भिनत्तीति मतिर्मम ॥
Y.M.,B.S., p.139b, Śl.911.

824. तर्हि किंचन नेहास्ति किन्तु सर्वं नः प्रभौ ।
सर्वाधारे हरावस्तीत्यर्थोऽस्त्वतिमनोहरः ॥
Ibid, p.140b, Śl.919.

825. ब्रह्माहरस्मीतिवाक्ये कथमेक्यमस्तव ।
Ibid, Śl.920.

826. अहं ब्रह्म नियम्योस्मीत्यर्थश्चत्तच्छिप्रियः ।
Ibid, Śl.923.

827. Supra fn.648.

828. किंचाहमर्थो नात्माते ब्रह्माहमिति वाक्ततः ।
जडाहंकृत्यैक्यमाह न जीवैक्यं भवन्मते ॥
मानसाहंकृतेरारोपाधिष्ठानचित्तैव हि ।
सिद्धयेल्लक्षणयाप्यैक्यं न तु जीवयिता सह ॥
Y.M.,B.S., Pp.141 & 142b, Ślokas 929 & 930.

- 829, Bṛih.Up., I-4-10,
- 830, Chā.Up., III-14-1,
- 831, सर्वं ब्रह्मेति वाक्याच्च किञ्जडब्रह्मतापिते ।
बाधात्तत्तस्तु संकोचे जीवादप्यस्तु बाधितात् ॥
Y.M.,B.S., p.142, Śl.938,
- 832, Chā.Up., III-14-1,
तज्जलानिति शान्तस्सन्नुपासीतेतिपूर्ववाक् ।
उपास्योपासकत्वं हि प्राह तच्च कथं तव ॥
Y.M.,B.S., p.143, Śl.943,
- 833, यदि सर्वं भूमाधिष्ठानत्वं सर्वपदोदितम् ।
तदा मुख्यार्थसंत्यागस्सर्वाधिष्ठानतैव च ।
Ibid, Śl.945.
- 834, ... तमादेशमप्राक्ष्यो येनाश्रुतं श्रुतं भवत्यमतं
मतमविज्ञातं विज्ञातमिति कथं तु भगवः स आदेशो-
भ्यतीति ।
Chā.Up. VI-1-3,
- 835, यदेकज्ञानतस्सर्वविज्ञानं च श्रुतौ श्रुतम् ।
अतोपि न परमात्म्यैक्यं सिद्धयेदद्वैतवादिनाम् ॥
Y.M.,B.S., p.144b, Śl.950.
- 836, निष्प्रकारक चित्मात्रनिर्विकल्पक दृक्तव ।
ब्रह्मदुरजगतो ज्ञानं तदा कस्यास्ति कथ्यताम् ।
Ibid, Śl.952.
- 837, अतस्सत्यत्वचित्त्वाद्येस्सदृशत्वाच्चराचरम् ।
तदग्रेष्वाश्रितत्वाद्वा तज्ज्ञानेज्ञायते जगत् ॥
Ibid, Śl.971.
- 838, अदभुतानीह यावति भूमौ वियति वा जले ।
त्वयि विश्वात्मके तानि किमे दृष्टं विपश्यतः ॥
Bhāg. X-41-4,

839. किंचिद्ब्रह्मणि विज्ञाते सति तस्य प्रसादतः ।
 सार्वज्ञं जायते नृणामिति सर्वस्य संमतम् ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.148b, Ś1.981.
840. Chā.Up. VI-8-7.
 ... येन च आत्मना आत्मवत् सर्वमिदं
 जगत् तदेव सदाख्यं कारणं सत्यं परमार्थसत् ।
 अतः स एव आत्मा जगतः प्रत्यक्स्वरूपं सतत्त्वं
 याथात्म्यम् ।...। अतः तत्सत् त्वमसि हे श्वेतकेतो ।
Saccidanandendrasarasvati, Sāṅkara, 'Upaniṣadbhāṣya',
Vol.6, 745.
841. तथा तत्त्वमसीत्याह श्रुतिर्ब्रह्मसदृक्षताम् ।
 गुणैःकृतिपर्यैर्वक्तुं लोकवेदानुसारिणी ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.148, Ś1.987.
842. The com.of Madhva on this passage renders the reading
 as 'Sa ātmā atat tvam asi' unlike in the Advaita,
 ... न च शरीरपरामेदे तात्पर्यमित्यत्र
 किंचिन्मानम् । "अतत् त्वमसि" इति भेदस्य
 नवकृत्वोऽभ्यासाच्च ।
Madhva, 'Chāndogyopaniṣadbhāṣya', (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ-Vol.1)
p.442.
 See also:
 अथवा जीवपरयोर्भेदं वक्तुं सविस्तरम् ।
 प्रावर्तत श्रुतिरियं नाभेदमिति मेमतिः ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.148, Ś1.989.
843. Chā.Up. VI-8-1.
- 843A. अक्षिगतस्य जाग्रदवस्था । कण्ठगतस्य स्वप्नः ।
 हृदिसुप्तिरितिक्रमात् स्वप्नावसानो विद्यमाना सुप्तिरिति भावः ।
Bh.VI., com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.149.

844. Bṛih.Up. I V-3-21.
845. प्राज्ञेन सम्परिष्वक्त इतिशाखान्ते श्रुतिः ।
प्राज्ञेन सम्परिष्वङ्गमेव सुप्तावकीर्तयत् ॥
Y.M.,B.S., p.149, Ś1.992.
846. सुप्त्युत्क्रांत्योश्च भेदेनेत्याहनिर्णयसूत्रकृत् ।
यतस्तुप्ता य मुक्तौ च भिदाशास्त्रविदोहिता ॥
Ibid, p.150b, Ś1.996.
847. प्राणमेवोपश्रयते । Chā.Up. VI-8-2,
तन्मनो दिशं दिशं पतित्वा
प्राणबन्धनं हि सोम्य मनः ।
Chā.Up. VI-8-2.
848. स्तत्समाख्यया प्रागुक्तप्राणपदस्य ब्रह्मपरता मनः
पदस्य जीवपरता च।
Bh.VI.,com.on. Y.M.,B.S., p.150.
849. यस्मात्प्राग्भिन्नयोरैक्यं न स्याद्यत्नशतैरपि
तस्मात्सर्वेपि दृष्टान्ताः भेदस्यैव प्रसाधकाः ।
Y.M.,B.S., p.154b, Ś1.1028.
850. तस्माज्जीवेशभेदस्य साधिका भेदवागियम् ।
Ibid, p.155b, Ś1.1042.
851. पदद्वयस्य लक्ष्यत्वाल्लघ्वेकपदलक्षणा ।
Ibid, p.156, Ś1.1054.
852. तर्हि न सन्नद्यासदुभयं न यकालजवः किमपि न तत्र
शास्त्रमपकृष्यशयीत यदा । जनिमसतस्ततोमृतिमजात्मनि
ये च भिदां विपणमृते स्मरन्त्युपविशध्वनिमास्वतः ॥
Bhāg. X-87-24.

853. अक्षस्य पक्षमातस्तु साक्षाद्भेदे प्रदर्शयते ।
Y.M., B.S., p.161b, Sl.1089.
854. सो यमित्यादिवाक्येषु न त्यागोस्ति पदार्थयोः ॥
Ibid, p.163,b, Sl.1107.
855. यो दण्डो कुण्डली चासाविति दण्डविशिष्टतः ।
 स्यात्कुण्डलविशिष्टैक्यं किमेके दण्डकुण्डले ॥
 विशिष्योपादानकस्य विशिष्टस्य हि जन्मनि ।
 विशेषणं निमित्तं नस्तदैक्येऽस्यैकता कुतः ॥
Ibid, p.163, Slokas 1111 & 1112.
856. यदि तत्त्वं पदार्थां ते रूपमात्रनिरूपणम् ।
 चिच्छिदित्येव चोक्तं स्यात्कस्यैक्यं तेन साध्यते ॥
Ibid, p.167, Sl.1133.
- 856A. अतः प्रत्यग्रपराग्भावादल्पता स्यात्तयोस्सदा ।
 सादृश्यैक्य परैवेयं वाग्बिम्बप्रतिबिम्बयोः ॥
 तस्मात्प्रत्यग्रपराग्भावो नियामकनियम्यता ।
Ibid, Pp.169 b & 170, Slokas 1150 & 1168.
857. See: Bhāg-X-66-1 to 23.
Bhāg-X-51-46 to 57.
 See also:
 Madhva, 'Mahābhāratatātāparyanirṇaya,'
858. Bhagavadgītā XVI-14.
859. Mund.Up.III-1-1.
860. तयोर्मध्ये ब्रह्मणोन्यो यस्तु जीवाभिः खगः ।
 स पुण्यपापकर्मोत्थं फलमस्ति सुखसुखम् ॥
 जीवादन्त्यस्तु यः पक्षी परमात्माभिधो महान् ।
 सोऽनन्नन्नभितो नित्यं चाकाशीति महाप्रभुः ॥
 इति श्रुतिस्तयोर्भेदं स्पष्टमाह सयुक्तिकम् ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.172b, Slokas 1194, 1195, & 1196.

861. तज्जीवपरमात्मानौ तवापि च ममा पि च ।
तदभेदबोधिकासेयं श्रुतिरित्यति सम्मतम् ।
Ibid, p.173, Sl.1203.
861. Mund.Up.III-1-1, S.Bhā.
... । तं परिष्वक्तवन्तौ सुपर्णाविव
अविद्याकामकर्मवासनाश्रयलिङ्गोपाध्यात्मेश्वरौ ॥ तयोः
परिष्वक्तयोः अन्यः एकः क्षेत्रज्ञः लिङ्गोपाधिः
..... अन्ववन् अन्यः ... सत्त्वोपाधिः
862. यथास्थितपदार्थस्यार्थयोगेध्याहार हृष्यते ।
Ibid, p.176b, Sl.1222.
863. जीवेशयोर्द्वयोस्तत्त्वादर्थोयुक्ततरो भवत् ।
Ibid.
864. Tait.Up.II-1-1.
865. मुक्तोऽपि ब्रह्मणा साकं सवन्तिकामान् किलाश्रनुते ।
पारमार्थ्यं तदशने युक्तं नापरमार्थता ॥
Y.M., p.176b, Sl.1225.
866. कथं द्वितैकदैकत्र वृथैवमपि कल्पने ।
किमेकस्मिन्नपि घटे धर्मद्वित्वाद् द्वितोच्यते ॥ ..
नयेत्सौन्दर्यधैर्याभ्यां भार्ये द्वे भवतस्तव ॥
Ibid, p.176, Slokas, 1228, & 1230.
867. यो विद्ययांयस्तत्तु नित्यबद्धो विद्यामयोयस्तत्तु
नित्यमुक्तः । Bhāg.XXI-11-7.
868. विमतो जीवपरयोर्भेदोऽयं परमार्थस्तत् ।
संसारोन्मुक्तयैतन्योल्लेख्यत्वान्मौक्तसौख्यवत् ॥
इति जीवब्रह्मभेदं साध्यत्यागमानुगा ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.177b, Slokas 1232 & 1233.

869. तस्माद्वित्वाख्ययुक्तेष्वच भोगाभोगाख्ययुक्तितः ।
अन्यत्वश्रुतितश्चाभूदन्योन्याभाववागियम् ॥
Ibid, S1.1235.
870. नेकेवलं स्थानबुद्धि भेदमात्रेण भिन्नता ।
किन्तु स्वरूपभेदो यमिति साधयितुं श्रुतिः ॥
सखायौ सयुजौ चेति पदद्वयमुदाहरत् ॥
Ibid, p.177, S1.1236.
871. व्यावहारिकभेदेते का वा वक्ति श्रुतिस्तयोः ।
Ibid, p.178b, S1.1244.
872. परप्रयोजनार्थं हि परमात्मा प्रवर्तते ॥
Ibid, p.178, S1.1246.
Cf: नमे पार्थास्ति कर्तव्यं त्रिषुलोकेषु किंचन ।
नानवाप्तमवाप्तव्यं वर्त एव च कर्मणि ॥
Bhagavadgītā-III-22,
873. सो नश्चन्देहिनां देहेष्यश्चान्यस्तथैव हि ।
प्रेरकप्रेर्यरूपौ तौ कथं न द्रौ तनौ तनौ ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.178, S1.1248.
874. See: ईश्वरस्त्वभूतानां हृद्देशे र्जुनतिष्ठति ।
भ्रामयन्स्त्वभूतानि यन्त्रारूढानिमायया ॥
न मां कर्माणि लिम्पन्ति नमे कर्मफलेस्पृहा ।
Bhagavadgītā XVIII-61, IV-14,
न कर्मणा लिप्यते पापकेन न कर्मणावर्धते नो कनीयान् -
Bṛih.Up. IV-4-23,
द्रष्टुर्नदृश्यस्य गुणैर्विषज्यते
तस्मै नमो सक्तविविक्तसाक्षिणे ॥
Bhag. VI-19-12.
875. एवं चाश्नदश्नन्तौ चिदंशौ द्रौ यतो बलात् ।
तच्छ्रुतिस्तत्परैवास्तु किमर्थाक्लिष्टकल्पना ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.179, S1.1257.

876. Supra, fn 325

877. यदि ब्रह्मप्रमामात्रबाध्यो भेदस्ततःपुरा ।
व्यवहारपदं प्राप्तो व्यावहारिक इष्यते ।
तर्हि नाहं सर्ववेत्ता न सर्वेशो हमित्यपि ।
प्रत्यक्षबाधादधुना स्यादैक्यं प्रातिभासिकम् ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.180, Slokas, 1263 & 1264.

878. अतो वृश्चिकतो भीत्या पलायन परस्यते ।
महोरगबिलं स्थले पातो जातो विचारय ॥
Ibid, Sl.1267.

879. अतत्त्वावेदकत्वापत्त्या यदुक्तेर्मनितागता ।
इदं च बौध्दराधदान्तवार्धिमध्यप्रवेशनम् ॥
उभयोर्मनितासिद्धयै यो यतेत स वैदिकः ॥
Ibid, p.181b, Sl.1270 & 1271.

880. सर्वप्रकारकशून्यैव निर्विकल्पक धीस्तव ।
ब्रह्मप्रमा तयाकस्य साधनं बाधनं चद ॥
Ibid, p.182, Sl.1285.
निर्विकल्पकस्य साधकबाधकत्वायोगादिति भावः ।
Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M., B.S., p.182.

881. अतो भेदाख्यरत्नस्य जगत्कल्पद्रुमस्य च ।
पारमार्थिकतापन्ना बाधाभावाद्धिदसर्वदा ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.182, Sl.1286.

882. यदि बाधस्तेन नाशः तदा दण्डादिनाशयता ।
दृष्टा घटादौ यत्तस्मान्नस्युस्ते व्यावहारिकाः ॥
अनादेरस्य भेदस्य तन्न स्याज्ज्ञाननाशयता ।
Ibid, p.182, 183b, Slokas, 1288 & 1289.

883. अर्थक्रियाकारितैव व्यावहारिकता यदि ।
 शश्वृगममूत्तत्त्वं परमार्थतरं तदा ॥
Ibid, p.183, Śl.1297.
 अर्थक्रियाशून्यत्वरूपं पारमार्थिकलक्षणं च
 शश्वृगेऽतिव्याप्तमिति भावः ॥
Bh.Vi.,com.on.Y.M.,B.S, p.184b.
884. नाप्यविद्याकार्यता ते व्यावहारिकतोयिता ।
Y.M.,B.S, p.185b, Śl.1308.
885. Six anādi entities:
 See: Supra, fn.472A.
886. भेदस्तु श्रुतियुक्तिभ्यां प्रत्यक्षेण च साधितः ।
 ब्रह्मवत् पारमार्थ्यार्हः कथं स्याद् व्यावहारिकः ।
Y.M.,B.S, p.185, Śl.135.
887. परंज्योतिरूपसम्पद्य
Chā.Up.VIII-3.4.
888. यद्ब्रह्मणा सहेत्युक्तं मुक्तौतन्नासतीभिदा ।
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 परंज्योतिरिति श्रुत्या तत्त्यागार्हा कथंभिदा ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.186, Ślokas, 1328 & 1329.
889. Supra. Pp. 212 to 217
890. अनादिवेदवाक्येषु परापरकथावृथा ।
Y.M.,B.S, p.186, Śl.1331.
891. निषेधविधिवातादि दग्धाग्नीषोमपावके ।
 परस्मात् पूर्वबाधयेत् स्मृत्या स्याच्छ्रुतिबाधनं।
Ibid, Pp.186, 187b, Ślokas 1331 & 1332.

892. Supra 3n. 257.
893. यद्वलादैक्यवाक्यानां बाधिकाभेदवागमूत् ।
अतो निर्वकाशं यत्तदेव बलवत्तरम् ।
दुर्बलं सावकाशं स्यादितर्व मनोरमम् ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.187b, Slokas, 1336 & 1337.
894. Supra p. 111 to 113
895. यद्यन्यतः सिद्धभेदस्यानुवादेन मे श्रुतिः ।
न भेदसाधिका तर्हि स्वप्काशत्वशक्तितः ॥
सिद्धस्य ब्रह्म सत्त्वास्याप्यनुवादपरां श्रुतिः ।
अस्ति ब्रह्मेत्यादिरूपा न तत्सत्त्वं प्रसाधयेत् ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.187, Slokas 1338 & 1339.
896. कुतोनुवादं कुरुते तूष्णीं वा दूषणाय वा ।
Ibid, Sl.1342.
897. मानस्यमानं संवादे प्रामाव्यावधुतिः किल ।
Ibid, Sl.1344.
898. सिद्धे स्याः दूषकत्वे च दूषणार्थानुवादिनी ।
सा स्यादिति न कस्य स्यादन्योन्याश्रयदूषणम् ॥
Ibid, p.188b, Sl.1347.
899. ऐक्यश्रुतेः प्रत्यक्षबाधकत्वे पूर्ववदन्योन्याश्रयं
लक्षणावृत्तेरुच्छेदं च दोषम्।
Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.188.
900. दुर्दभेदश्रुतेर्वैशदुदप्रत्यक्षवैरतः ।
नाभेदमागमो वक्ति जीवस्य परमस्य च ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.189b, Sl.1357.

901. अतःप्रत्यक्षयोग्यार्थे प्रत्यक्षं बलवत्सदा ।
अतीन्द्रियार्थमात्रेण प्रबला वागिति स्थितम् ॥
Ibid, p.189, Sl.1358.
902. अक्षसिद्धानुवादेऽपि का हानिरिति चिन्त्यते ।
याथावयमिव मानत्वं तस्य हानिर्नकाचन ।
न चैतस्मृतिरमानं स्यात्स्मृतिकर्तृव्यपेक्षया ।
Y.M., B.S, p.189, Sl.1359.
903. See: Bhāg.X-1.4.
904. विरज्येतीतमश्लोकगुणानामनुवादतः ।
क इत्यादि व्यासवाक्यान् अनुवादं स्तुवन्ति हि ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.190, Sl. 1367.
905. दोषानहर्क्षसिद्धस्यत्वानुवादोऽपिवादवत्
न चेदबहुमहावाक्याशास्यमैक्यं परस्परम् ।
अनुवक्ति भिदाश्रुत्या भेत्तुं सुन्दोपसुन्दवत् ॥
Ibid, p.191b, Sl.1373.
906. इति मन्यामहे दूष्यं दूषणं चैकवाक्यगम् ।
...
न दूषणाय यतते वाक्यान्नामिति मतिः ।
Ibid, p.191, Sl.1379.
907. अविरुद्धात्त्वयं वाणी कुतोवा दूष्यतां वृजेत् ।
Ibid, p.192b, Sl.1382.
908. अनुवादादिरूपोऽयमित्याकारास्ति न श्रुतिः ।
Ibid, Sl.1384.
909. अविद्यमानो भेदोऽयं यद्युपास्त्यर्थमुच्यते ।
तर्हि त्रयक्षः सहस्राक्षः सहस्राक्षः त्रिलोचनः ।
कुतो न कीर्त्यते ध्यातुं तस्माद्यदस्तु यादृशम् ।
तत्तथैव वदेद्देवो ध्यातुं वा दृष्टुमेव वा ॥
Ibid, p.192, Slokas 1388 & 1389,

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तस्मात् तत्तद्रूपवैपरीत्येन तेषां तेषां ध्यानाकथनात् ।
 दृष्टुमेवेति वदता तत्त्वोपासनया तत्त्वदर्शनं च
 विरुद्धमिति सचयति ।
Bh.Vi.,cōm.on.Y.M.,B.S, Pp.192 & 193b.

910. Kena,Up.IV-4 (II-4)

911. अतो नेदं यदि दमित्यादिवाक्यं न बाधकम् ।
 वाच्यो न्यो र्थः श्रुतेर्गुप्त्यै त्वयापि च ममापि च ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.193, S1.1397.

912. विषनिर्हरणे शक्तो ध्यातव्यो गरुडस्त्वया ।
 विघ्नध्वंसायविघ्नेशो ...।
Ibid, Slokas 1399 & 1400.

913. See: नाम ब्रह्मेत्युपास्ते इत्यादिना शब्दभ्रान्त्या न प्रतीके
 ब्रह्मदृष्टिः कार्या । किन्तु १ तत्स्थित्वेनैवोपासनं कायम् ।
 ... नामादिस्थितिरेवात्र ब्रह्मणो हि विधीयते ॥
Madhva: Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ-Vol.1)p.194.

914. यन्न प्रतीके न हि स इत्थं सूत्रकृतैव हि ।
 अविधमानस्योपास्तिर्नक्वाप्यस्तोति साधितम् ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.194b, S1.1403.

Cf: तस्माद्वस्तुयथारूपं द्वेयं ध्येयं च सर्वदा ।
 कारणं पुरुषार्थस्य नान्यथा भवति क्वचित् ॥

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प्रतीकसंस्थितत्वेन ध्येयो विष्णुर्नान्यथा ॥
Madhva, Anuvyākhyāna (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ-Vol.1) p.195.

915. Supra. In 546A

916. उपास्योपासकत्वस्य मुक्तावप्यनुवर्तनम् ।
Y.M.,B.S, p.196, S1.1423.

917. उपास्यते हि यदिदं नेदं ब्रह्मेति तु श्रुतिः ।
उपास्यमानप्रतिमा नैव ब्रह्मेति शंशति ॥
Ibid, p.197b, Sl.1425.
918. ब्रह्मणस्तन्निधानाच्च तदुपास्तिर्दिदुक्षताम् ॥
Ibid, Sl.1426.
919. उपासते तु यदिदं नेदं ब्रह्मेति तु श्रुतिः ।
यदुपास्यं न तदब्रह्मेत्याह सेयं श्रुतिः किल ॥
Ibid, p.198, Sl.1441.
920. तस्माज्जीवेशभेदस्य साधिकेयमभूच्छ्रुतिः ।
Ibid, p.199b, Sl.1447.
- 920A. मिथ्यार्थश्रवणे तु स्यान्मिथ्यार्थस्यापि भावना ।
तस्मादुपास्यो भेदोस्तु सत्योऽप्यस्तु श्रुतीरितः ॥
Ibid, p.200, Sl.1464.
921. Mund.Up.III-3.
922. इति जीवेशभेदस्य साक्षात्कारेण हि श्रुतिः ।
परमं मोक्षमाचष्ट मुक्तस्यापि च भिन्नताम् ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.201b, Sl.1469.
भेदसापेक्षतास्यैव फलतया कथनात्
मुक्तस्यापि च भिन्नतामित्युक्तम् ।
Bh.Vi.,com.on.Y.M.,B.S, p.201b.
923. Supra. P. 299
924. भिन्नाभिन्नादिकल्पोक्तदूषणैर्भेददूषणम् ।
जात्युत्तरं हि तत्सर्वं यत्खण्डनकृताकृतम् ।
व्यावहारिक-भेदस्याप्यपलापप्रसंगतः ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.201, Sl.1476.
925. Brih.Up.III-9-26.

926. या श्रुतिर्नेति नेत्यात्मा गृह्य इत्यादिरूपिणी ।
 साध्यात्मानं जडाज्जीवाद् भिन्नं वर्णयतिस्फुटम् ॥
 जडं नात्मा जीवयिष्य नात्मेत्यर्थो भवेन्मम ।
 तव द्विधा निषेधस्याभावेन दो नभौ वृथा ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.202, Slokas, 1484 & 1485,

927. Swet., Up. IV-7.

927A. त्रितयज्ञानतो जीवो वीतशोकोभ्येत्किल ।
Y.M., B.S., p.203b, Sl. 1491,

928. तस्माद्भेदः साम्यं च कैर्गुण्यं च निराकृतम् ।
Ibid, Sl. 1492.

929. Brih., Up. IV-4-22.

930. See: Bhagavadgītā XV-17.

931. विद्यात्मानि भिदा बोध इति भागवते हरिः ।
 विद्या केति पुरापृष्टो भिदा बोधं किलोक्तवान् ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.203, Sl. 1497.

932. विद्यात्मनि भिदा बोधः
Bhāg. XI-19-40.

933. भेदवृद्ध्याभिमानेन
Bhāg. III-32-13.

934. भगवत्प्रभिमानी हि भक्तिर्निःसंग एव च ।
 निवृत्तिस्तैव विद्वद्भिर्विरक्तिरिति चोच्यते ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.206b, Sl. 1516,

935. Praśna, Up. III-3,

936. यथेषापुरुषे छाया एतस्मिन्नेतदाततम् ।
 इति श्रुत्या युतो बिम्बप्रतिबिम्बत्वमुच्यते ॥
Y.M., B.S., p.206, Sl. 1521.

937. छाया हि पुरुषाकारा पुरुषाधीन-चेष्टिता ।
मिन्ना च जीवे तादृक्त्वं सिद्धं दृष्टान्त-शोधने ॥
Ibid, Sl.1523.
- 937A. आधारता स्वामिता च तथा स्मकारता हरेः । सिद्धा....।
Y.M.,B.S, p.207, Sl.1528.
938. Brih.Up.II-5-19.
Katha.Up.V-9-10.
939. विष्णोश्च बिम्बता तस्मादिभन्नस्यैवात्र वर्ण्यते ॥
Y.M.,B.S, p.208b, Sl.1537.
940. बिम्बस्य प्रतिबिम्बैक्यं न स्मरोक्तं न विस्मर ।
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छाया पुरुषदृष्टान्तादिबिम्बस्य परमात्मनः ।
प्रतिबिम्बात्मकाज्जीवादभेदस्योक्तश्रुतौष्ठेः ॥
Ibid, Pp208b & 208. Slokas 1539 & 1540.
- 940A. सत्यश्चायमबाध्यत्वादब्रह्मवत्प्रतिबिम्बकः ।
न हि सादृश्यमप्यस्य कात्स्न्येनैक्येतुका कथा ॥
Ibid, p.208.,Sl.1543.
941. चित्रसिंहो यथा सिंहो मुखप्रतिमुखं तथा ॥
Ibid, p.210b, Sl.1552.
- 941A. औपाधिकं प्रतिमुखं मुखेसत्येव दृश्यते ।
मुखस्यापगमे चास्य न दृष्टत्वाष्टता च न ॥
Ibid, p.210b, Sl.1560.
942. निर्निमित्तं बिम्बतान्निध्यं कर्ता नारायणः प्रभुः ।
उपादानमुपाधिष्येत्कार्यं वार्यमिदं कथम् ॥
Ibid, Sl.1561.

943. घटात्मना विकरणं मनसो योनुमन्यते ।
प्रतिबिम्बात्मनोषाधेर्विकारोऽयं कुतोऽस्य न ॥
Ibid, p.211b, Sl.1564.

943A. प्रतिबिम्बस्यमिध्यात्वे सत्यबिम्बादभवेद्विभदा ।
प्रतिबिम्बस्य सत्यत्वे द्विस्वभावत्वतो भिदा ॥
Ibid, p.213b, Sl.1582.

944. न ह्यस्ति बाधिका नायं प्रतिबिम्ब इति प्रमा ।
Ibid, Sl.1583.

945. संज्ञाभेदात्मभेदादिबिम्बोन्मथः प्रतिबिम्बतः ।
Ibid, 214b, Sl.1590.

946. प्रपंचो यदि विधेत निवर्तेत न संशयः ।
मायामात्रमिदं द्वैतमद्वैतं परमार्थतः ॥
Māṇḍ.Up. I-2-9.
विकल्पो विनिवर्तेत कल्पितो यदि केनचित् ।
उपदेशादयं वादो ज्ञाते द्वैतं न विद्यते ।
Ibid-10.

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सत्यं स्वं स्यात् प्रपंचो प्रपंचो यदि विधेत । रज्ज्वां सर्प इव
कल्पितत्वात् न तु स विद्यते । न हि रज्ज्वां भ्रान्तिबुद्ध्या कल्पितः
सर्पः विद्यमानः सन् विवेकतो निवृत्तः । न च माया मायाविना प्रयुक्ता
तददर्शनां चक्षुर्वन्धापणमे विद्यमाना सती निवृत्ता, तथा इदं प्रपंचाख्यं
मायामात्रं द्वैतं रज्जुवत् मायाविवर्च्य अद्वैतं परमार्थतः । तस्मात् न कश्चित्
प्रपंचः प्रवृत्तः निवृत्तो वा अस्ति इत्युपनिषादः ।

विकल्पो विनिवर्तेत यदि केनचित् कल्पितः स्यात् । यथा अयं प्रपंचः
मायारज्जुसर्पवत्, तथा अयं शिष्यादिभेदविकल्पोऽपि प्राक्प्रबोधादेव उपदेश-
निमित्तः । अतः उपदेशादयं वादः शिष्यः शास्ता शास्त्रमिति ।
उपदेशकार्यं तु ज्ञाने निवृत्ते ज्ञाते परमार्थतत्त्वे द्वैतं न विद्यते ।
Śaṅkara: Māṇḍūkyaopaniṣadbhāṣya, (Kārikā -I-17 and 18)

947. भेदसौरभसर्वस्वं नित्यं सत्यमतो भवत् ।
 धर्मस्य धर्ममूलत्वाज्जीवनित्यजडात्मकम् ।
 विश्वसौरभसर्वस्वमपि तादृगभूबलात् ॥
Yuktimallikā (Y.M.) 'Viśvasaurabha (V.S) Pp.6b & 6.
Slokas 47 & 48.
948. अतःपंचविधो भेदः प्रपंचोभूद्विचारणे ॥
Y.M., B.S, p.2b, Sl.7.
949. एवं यब्रह्मणो हर्त्री किं न व्याप्तिरियं तव ।
Ibid, p.3, Sl.19.
950. यद्विद्यते तदबाध्यते इति व्याप्त्यंगीकारे ब्रह्मण एव
 बाध्यत्वप्रसंगादिति भावः ।
Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M., B.S, p.3.
951. Mānd.Up. I-2-8.
952. See: The reality as a whole expressed in a system of
 five fold distinction, which gives it its philosophical
 designation of "Prapañca".
"Prakṛṣṭaḥ pañcavidho bhedaḥ Prapañcaḥ" (V.T.N.P.27)
 "This valuable five-fold difference is "Prapañca".
 The word "Pra-panca" is derived from the substantive
 "Pañcan" with the suffix "da" (a) signifying 'kind'. The
 prefix "pra" denotes 'excellence' or value. It is excellent
 in the sense that the knowledge of this five fold difference
 constitutes right knowledge that leads to Mokṣa.
 Sharma B.N.K., 'Madhva's teachings in his own words'
 Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Bombay, 1979, p.78.
953. भेदवर्गः प्रपंचाख्यो यद्युत्पद्येत तर्ह्यसौ ।
 निनश्येन्न च नाशो स्ति तस्मान्नोत्पद्येत च तः ॥
Y.M., V.S, p.4b, Slokas 25,26.

954. मात्रालेशस्तद्विहीनस्त्यादमात्रो विवेकिनाम् ।
मायालेशोज्झितं वस्तु मायामात्रं ततोऽभवत् ॥
Ibid., Sl.28.
955. यद्वैतं तत्र तत्र श्रूयते स्मर्यतेऽपि वा ।
सर्वोत्तमत्वात्परममर्थं हरिमपेक्षयत् ॥
Ibid., p.4, Sl.33.
एवं च स्वसर्वोत्तमीभूत द्वितीयरहित इत्यर्थमपेक्षय
तद्वैतपदं श्रुतौ श्रूयते इति भावः ।
Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M., V.S, p.4.
956. Supra.
957. अथवा भेदतत्त्वेऽस्मिन् भिन्नाभिन्नादिरूपकः ।
विकल्पो यदि केनापि कल्पितस्त्यात् ।
Y.M., V.S, p.5, Sl.40.
निर्विशेषब्रह्मणा दिनापरेणास्मद्वत्परिहर्तुमशक्यत्वेन
अपरिहार्यं निवृत्तिः ।
Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M., V.S, p.5.
अद्वैते तस्य दुस्तत्त्वे विनिवर्तेत तर्हि सः ।
Y.M., V.S., p.5, Sl.41.
958. अतः श्रुतिरियं रम्या देहलीदीपवद्बभौ ।
यतः स्थानद्वयस्यार्थमुदमीमलदुच्चकैः ॥
Ibid, p.6, Sl.50.
959. See, जगतः सत्यं प्रतिष्ठा ईश्वरश्च विष्णुः ।
Madhva, Gītābhāṣya (Sarvamūlagrānthāh-Vol.1) p.143.
960. अतः जगन्मिथ्यात्वस्य कृष्णानभिषेदत्वात् ।
Bh. Vi, com.on.Y.M., V.S, p.7b,
961. निमित्तं कालकर्मादि कर्तानारायणः प्रभुः ।
उपादानं तुल्यैका प्रकृतिः त्रिगुणात्मिका ॥
Y.M., V.S, p.7b, Sl.60.

962. See: सत्त्वं रजस्तम इति गुणाः प्रकृतिसम्भवाः
Bhagavadgītā, XIV-5.

963. मायां तु प्रकृतिं विद्यान्मायिनं तु महेश्वरम् ।
Śwet.Up.

964. मायाख्या प्रकृतेरस्ति तेन मायामयाभिदा ।
प्राकृताख्या च जगतः प्रोच्यते तत्र तत्र हि ॥
Y.M., V.S., p.7b, 61.

965. Bhagavadgītā IX-10.
मयाध्यक्षेण प्रकृतिः सूयते स चराचरम् ।
इति प्रकृतिकार्यत्वं गीतोक्तमुनुसंस्मर ॥
Y.M., V.S., p.7b, Sl.63.

966. अज्ञानोपादानकत्वाभावान्न मृषा जगत् ।
अनाद्यनन्तकालेषु नैवात्योपरमः किल ॥
Ibid, p.7, Sl.64.

967. एवमेतदनाद्यत्वं भूतसंघातकारकम् ।
अनादिनिधनं लोके यत् संपरिवर्तते ॥
Q.Y.M., V.S., p.7.

968. इति भारतवाक्येन ह्यनाद्यन्तत्वमुच्यते ।
अनन्तत्वादबाध्यं च जगद्ब्रह्मवदेव हि ॥
Y.M., V.S., p.7, Sl.66.

969. विभूतिं प्रसवं त्वन्ये मन्यन्ते सृष्टिचिन्तकाः ।
स्वप्नमायासरूपेति सृष्टिरन्यैर्विकल्पिता ॥
Mānd.Up. I-i-15, (G.K.I-7)

970. विभूतिर्विस्तार ईश्वरस्य सृष्टिरिति सृष्टिचिन्तका
मन्यन्ते न तु परमार्थ चिन्तकानां सृष्टावादर इत्यर्थः ।
"इन्द्रो मायाभिः पुरुरूप ईयते" इति श्रुतेः । न हि मायाविनं
सूत्रमाकाशे निक्षिप्य तेन सायुधमारुत्य चक्षुर्गोचरतामतीत्य युद्धेन
खण्डशिखन्नं पतितं पुनरुत्थितं पश्यातां तत्कृतमायादिसतत्त्व-
चिन्तायानादरो भवति । तथैवायं मायाविनः सूत्रप्रसारणसमः
सुक्षुप्तस्वप्नादिविकासः तदारूढमायाविसमश्च तत्स्थः
प्राज्ञतैजसादिः, सूत्र तदारूढाभ्यामन्यः परमार्थमायावी ।
स एव भूमिष्ठो मायाछन्नो दृश्यमान एव स्थितो यथा
तथा तुरीयाख्यं परमार्थसत्त्वम् । अतस्तच्चिन्तायामेव दरो
मुमुक्षुणामार्याणां न त्रिष्योजनायां सृष्टावादरः इत्यतः
सृष्टिचिन्तकानामेवैते विकल्पा इत्याह - स्वप्नमाया सरूपेति ।
स्वप्नरूपा मायासरूपा चेति ।

971. अव्यक्तोयमचिन्त्योऽयमविकार्योऽयमुच्यते ।
Bhagavadgītā, II-25.

972. स्वप्नमाया सरूपेति सृष्टिरन्यैर्विकल्पिता ।
मिथ्यासृष्टिकथा येयं सान्येषां कल्पना किल ॥
इत्यन्यमतमाक्षिप्य श्रुतिस्वमतमाह च ।
इच्छासात्रं प्रभोत्सृष्टिरिति सृष्टौ विनिश्चिताः ॥
स्वेच्छयैवप्रभुस्सर्वः सृजतीशो न मायया ॥
Y.M., V.s, Pp.7 & 8b, Ślokas 68, 69, 70.

972A. Mānd .Up .I-i-15.

973. देवस्यैषस्वभावोयमाप्तकामस्य कास्पृहा ।
Y.M., V.S, p.8, Śl.75.

974. Rāmānuja takes the Upaniṣadic accounts of creation,
stated previously, in a literal sense. He holds that God,
who is omnipotent, creates the mani-fold world out of Himself
by a gracious out of will.
Chatterji & Datta, 'An Introduction to Indian Philosophy',
Pp.418 & 419.

975. इच्छामात्रमितीशस्य सृष्टीच्छैवास्ति केवलम् ।
न फलेच्छेत्याह तत्तान्, पक्षानेषाप्यदूषयत् ॥
Y.M., V.S, p.9, Sl.90.
976. प्रभोत्सकाशाद्या सृष्टिः अस्त्यकूर्मादिरुपिणी ।
सात्त्वच्छामात्रमेवेति भावाद्वाप्राहतां तथा ।
....
अतस्तस्याः प्रधानत्वात्सैव सृष्टिरितीरितम् ॥
Y.M., V.S, p.11, Slokas, 107, 108 & 109.
977. द्रव्यं कर्म च कालश्च स्वभावो जीव एव च
यदनुग्रहतस्सन्ति न सन्ति यदुपेक्षया ॥
Madhva, Anuvyākhyāna, (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ-Vol.1) p.2.
978. स्वान्नानतो जगत्सृष्टिं तस्यास्त्वानिष्टरूपताम् ।
न्यवारयत् ...।
तस्मात्प्रकृतितः सृष्टिर्जीवानां सुखदुःखदा ॥
Y.M., V.S, p.11, Sl.111.
979. यतःक्रिया नित्यतोक्तया कार्यस्यापि प्रवाहतः ।
नित्यत्वमुदितं सर्वलयं तेनन्यवारयत् ॥
...
तदपि प्रभुतामाह यतश्च परमात्मनः ।
Ibid, p.12, Slokas 121 & 125.
980. न स्वप्नादि प्रत्ययवज्जागृत्प्रत्यया भवितु-
मर्हन्ति । कस्मात् ? वैधर्म्यात् । वैधर्म्यं हि
भवति स्वप्नजागरितयोः । बाध्यते हि स्वप्नोपलब्धं
वस्तु ... एवं मायादिष्वपि भवति यथायथं बाधः ।
Śaṭśāstri, Śaṅkara, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, Vol.1, p.505.
981. स्वप्नेऽपि द्रष्टृदेहोऽस्ति शय्या भूवसनादिकम् ।
अन्ये च जाग्रतस्सन्ति स्वाप्नं तन्नास्ति किंचन ॥
मायायां च स्वदेहोऽस्ति चक्षुरादीन्द्रियाणि च ।
भूदृष्टाश्च ते सर्वे मायिकं नास्ति किंचन ॥
Y.M., V.S, p.12 & 13b, Slokas 127 & 128.

982. विश्वसत्यत्ववादीनश्श्रुत्युक्तप्रशोभतेतरास् ।
Ibid, p.14-b, Sl.143.
983. कविर्मनीषी परिभूः स्वयम्भूयार्थातथ्यतोऽर्थान्
 व्यदधाच्छाश्वतीभ्यः समाभ्यः ।
Īśa.Up.I-8,
 See; ... स सत्यं जगदेतादृङ्नित्यमेव प्रवाहतः ।
 अनाद्यनन्तकालेषु प्रवाहैक प्रकारकम् ।
 नियमेनैव ससृजे भगवान्पुरुषोत्तमः ॥
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 Madhva, Īśāvāsyopniṣadbhāṣya (Sarvamūlagranthāḥ- V61.1) p.511.
984. शब्दव्यर्थार्थो ह्यर्थान् व्यदधात् परिभूः कविः ।
 ह्यर्थार्थानां यथार्थत्वं श्रुतिरन्या जगद ह ॥
Y.M.,V.S. p.14b, Sl.145.
985. Rv.II-24-12.
986. विश्वं सत्यमिति श्रुत्या सत्यत्वं स्पष्टमुच्यते ।
 प्रमाणसिद्धतां चास्य प्रमिनन्तीति सा जगौ ॥
Y.M.,V.S. p.14, Sl.147.
987. व्यावहारिकतावाणीं वाणीयं धिक्करोति ते ॥
Ibid, p.15b, Sl.150.
988. एवं च बाधशून्यत्वा जगद्यब्रह्मवत्सदा ।
 अव्यावहारिकं चासीदार्थिक्यानुमयामुया ॥
Ibid, p.16b, Sl.159.
989. अनीदृग् जगतो ब्रह्म भेदं सर्वशतां गुणान् ।
 दोषोद्धूनन शक्तियं, वक्तिसर्वपदावली ॥
Ibid, p.17b, Sl.165.

990. अच्यकेत सत्यमित् तन्न मोघं वसुस्पार्हमुत
जेता उत दाता ।
Q. Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M.,V.S, p.17.
991. यच्चिकेतेति वाक्याह सत्यमेतज्जगत्रयम् ।
Y.M.,V.S, p.17, Śl.169.
992. अतश्श्रुतिमहातात्पर्यस्यगोचरभावतः ।
ब्रह्मवज्जगदेतच्च परमार्थसदेव हि ॥
युक्तिःपश्य श्रुतीःपश्य मिथ्यादृष्टिं परित्यज ।
सत्यं वद जगत्सर्वं मुक्तिं मुक्तिं यदीच्छसि ॥
Ibid, Pp.19b, & 19, Ślokas 179 & 180.
993. सत्यं प्रकृत्युपादानं सर्वं जगदितिस्थितम् ।
Y.M.,V.S, p.10, Śl.182.
994. यद्विज्ञानमुपादानं मुदानयन्यत्नवत् ।
तदर्थमपि किं कोऽपि यत्नं कुर्यान्न कुत्रचित् ॥
Ibid, p.20b, Śl.184.
995. तथ्य ब्रह्मविज्ञानादपि परं पुरुषार्थं
दर्शयति "ब्रह्मविदाप्नोति परम्" इत्यादिः
..... ज्ञानेन हि प्रमाणेनावगन्तुमिष्टं ब्रह्म ।
ब्रह्मावगतिर्हिपुरुषार्थः, निःशेष संसारबीजा-
विधाघनर्थनिर्बहणात् । तस्माद्ब्रह्म जिज्ञासितव्यम् ।
Saṭśāstri, Śaṅkara, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, VolI, Pp.24 & 25.
996. अनादिः किल संसारस्तवापि च ममापि च ।
यदनादिन तत्कार्यमिति व्याप्तिर्बलीयसी ॥
Y.M.,V.S, p.20, Śl.191.
997. अधिकारार्थभावश्च परिहाराय सूत्रितम् ।
यत् सूत्रं तत्र सर्वस्याभावे भावः कथं वद ॥
Ibid., V.S, p.20b, Śl.187.

998. उपादानमुपादेयसमानाश्रयमेवयत् ।
 अनादिबन्धस्याधारो जीव एव ततस्तव ॥
Ibid, V.S, p.21, Śl.197.
 ततः उपादानोपादेययोस्तमानाधिकरण्य-
 नियमात् । इति हेतोः संकीर्णं ब्रह्माश्रिताज्ञानप्रतिक्षेपः ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M.,V.S, p.21.
999. अनादिभावरूपं ते यदज्ञानमभीक्ष्ण्यतम् ।
 अनादिभावरूपं च वस्तुनैव निवर्तते ॥
Y.M.,V.S, p.22b, Śl.200.
1000. अनादेरपि बन्धस्य नाशस्याद्वि श्रुतेर्बलात् ।
Ibid, Śl.202.
2001. नित्यं स्वरूपविज्ञानं स्वकार्येऽस्तद्वत् वर्तते ।
 इति तेऽभिमतं तस्मात्तत्रावरणवाग् वृथा ॥
 आवृणीते मनोवृत्तिज्ञानमित्येव तत् त्वया ॥
 वाच्यमावरणं तस्मात् कथं नान्योन्याश्रयः ।
 यदावरणनाशे स्यादपरोक्षप्रमा तव ।
 तथैव तस्य नाशे च कथं नान्योन्याश्रयः ॥
Ibid, Pp.24b, & 24, Ślokas, 221, 222 & 223.
1002. यदि ज्ञानाभावो, यदि संशयज्ञानम्, यदि विपरीत-
 ज्ञानम् वा उच्यते "अज्ञानमिति" सर्वं हि तत् ज्ञाने-
 नैव विपर्ययति ।
Brih.Up.III-3-1 (Śaṅkara)
- 1002A. आधारमानन्दमखण्डबोधम् ।
Kaivalya Up.15.
1003. अखण्डब्रह्मप्रतिपादकशब्दैः । अपरोक्षधीः
 ब्रह्मापरोक्षधीः । ब्रह्मणि यदायदा तत्प्रतिपादकशब्दप्रयोगः
 तदातदा ब्रह्मापरोक्षधीरस्ति । अज्ञाननिवृत्तिश्च नास्तीति मायिनो मतम् ।
 अतश्चरमज्ञानादपि नाज्ञाननिवृत्तिरितिभावः ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M.,V.S, p.24.

1004. अतो ज्ञानादेव बन्धनाशोऽस्तु श्रुतेर्बलात् ।
Y.M., V.S., p.24, Sl.229.
1005. Mund.Up. III-3.
- 1005A. किंच ज्ञानेन दुष्कर्मनाशः सपक्षाच्छ्रुतौ श्रुतः ।
 तदाविद्वान् पुण्यपापे विधूयेति न किं श्रुतिः ॥
Y.M., V.S., p.25b, Sl.235.
1006. See: तदधिगमे ब्रह्माधिगमे सत्युत्तरपूर्वयोरधयो-
 रश्लेष विनाशौ भवतः, उत्तरस्याश्लेषः,
 पूर्वस्य विनाशः । कस्मात् ? व्यपदेशात् ।
Satsāstri. Śaṅkara, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, Vol.2, p.985.
 ... ब्रह्मदर्शन उत्तराधस्याश्लेषः पूर्वस्य विनाशश्च ।
Madhva, Brahmasūtrabhāṣya, (Sarvamūlāgranthāḥ-Vol.1)p.198
1007. किंच सर्वस्य कार्यस्य जन्मस्थिति-विनष्टिषु ।
 निमित्तमीश्वरज्ञानमस्तीत्यखिल-सम्मतम् ।
 दैनन्दिने च प्रलये नाज्ञानस्य विनाशनम् ॥
Y.M., V.S., p.26, Slokas 252 & 253.
 अतोऽपि ज्ञानमज्ञानस्यैव निवर्तकमिति व्याप्ति-
 रनुपपन्ना।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., V.S., p.26.
1008. यदि तदभगवद्भक्तिमुत्पाद्य दृढया तथा ।
 बन्धं विनाशयेत्तर्हि क्वावसरो वद ॥
Y.M., V.S., p.27b, Sl.261.
1009. भक्तिश्च भगवत्मेहः।
 भक्त्या च बन्धविच्छेदः श्रूयते यौक्तिकश्चसः ।
Ibid, p.27, Slokas 263 & 264.
1010. तस्मादनाशेनाशे च सत्यत्वादेर्नसंगतिः ।
 कार्यताकार्यते एव नाशानाशप्रयोजिके ॥
Ibid, p.28b, Slokas 270 & 271.

1011. अधिकार्यादिसदभावान्मीमांसादिसम्भवात् ।
मीमांस्य वेदसदभावान्मीमांसा शास्त्रसम्भवात् ।
कार्यैव ब्रह्ममीमांसा, तदेत्यादावसूत्रयत् ॥
Ibid, p.30, Slokas, 298, 299 and 300.
1012. यस्सूत्रकारस्त जगन्मिथ्यात्वं नैव मन्यते ।
Ibid.
1013. जगज्जन्मादि हेतुत्वं यः प्रदीपमदीपयत् ।
स्वदत्तदीपतैलस्याभावं स मनुते कथम् ॥
Ibid, p.31b, Sl.301.
1014. स्वंप्रकृतिपर्यन्तं नाशोऽधोऽधः क्रमात्किल ।
स्वं योपादाननाशात् कार्यनाशः कदा वद ॥
Ibid, Sl.305.
1015. अतो ज्ञानमुपादानमिति रिक्तं वयस्तव ।
तदज्ञानानुपादानवस्तुत्वाद्ब्रह्मवज्जगत् ॥
Ibid, Pp.32b & 32, Slokas 317 & 318.
1016. अपसार्यैव हृन्मायां दर्शनं दिशति प्रभुः ।
Ibid, p.32, Sl.322.
तस्मादावृणाज्ञाननिवृत्त्यनन्तरमेव ज्ञानोदयसम्भवात् ।
Bh.Vi, com,on.Y.M.,V.S, p.32.
1017. अतो ज्ञानविनाशयत्वस्यान्यानुपपत्तितः ।
अज्ञानोपादानकत्वं केनोपायेन साध्यते ॥
Y.M.,V.S, p.33, Sl.333.
1018. अनादित्वाच्च बन्धोऽयं न स्यादज्ञानकल्पितः ।
...
किं बन्धप्रमानाशयं नैक किंचित्प्रदर्शयते ।
Ibid, p.34b, Slokas, 339 & 340.
1019. तस्माज्ज्ञानेनाविनाशयवस्तुत्वाद्ब्रह्मवत् जगत् ।
परमार्थसदेवाभूत् ...।
Ibid, p.34, Sl.344.

1020. अनादित्वादानाशित्वाज्ज्ञानानाशयत्वतस्तथा ।

अज्ञानाकार्यवस्तुत्वादब्रह्मवत्सकलं जगत् ॥

Ibid, p.36b, Ślokas 355 & 356.

1021. किंयाज्ञानं ज्ञाननाशयं विरोधादेव केवलम् ।

न हि दीपस्तमोनाशे तन्मिध्यात्वमपेक्षते ॥

अतो ज्ञानमिदं ज्ञाननाशयं सत्यं च सम्भवेत् ।

सत्याज्ञानभवं विश्वं सत्यमेव भविष्यति ॥

Ibid, p.36, Ślokas, 359 & 360.

1022. अज्ञानद्वारतोनाशे स्यादन्योन्याश्रयादिकम् ।

Ibid, p.39b, Śl.378.

1022A. ज्ञानेनैव च तन्नाशे स्यादन्योन्याश्रयोध्रुवम् ।

Ibid, Śl.380.

1023. यदुत्पत्तौ विरोधोन नाशयत्वेनैव केवलम् ।

विरोध्यज्ञानमुच्येत बन्ध एवास्तु तादृशः ॥

Ibid, p.39b, Śl.384.

1024. प्राक्य तथाभूतात्मविज्ञानात् प्रवर्तमानं शास्त्रं

अविधावद्विषयत्वं नातिवर्तते ।

Adhyāsa bhāṣya:

.... इत्यादिना अप्रबुद्धविषये "यत्र त्वस्य सर्व-

मात्मैवाभूत् तत्केन कंपयेत्" इत्यादिना

तदभावं दर्शयति ॥

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नहि आत्मस्वरूपाधिगमे सति पुनः प्रमाण -

प्रमेयव्यवहारः सम्भवति । प्रमातृत्वं हि आत्मानो

निवर्तयति अन्तर्यं प्रमाणम् । निवर्तयदेव च

अप्रमाणीभवति स्वप्नकालप्रमाणमिव प्रबोधे ।

लोके च वस्त्वधिगमे प्रवृत्तिहेतुत्वाददर्शनात् प्रमाणस्य ।

Saṅkara: Gitābhāṣya, II-69.

1025. यज्ज्ञानेन ज्ञाननाशमाशास्ते हास्यमेवतत् ।

...

वेणुं दददते वह्निर्नस्वयं तेन दह्यते ॥

Y.M.,V.S., p.41, Ślokas, 398 & 399.

1026. अतो द्वेधापि न ज्ञानं स्वयमेवस्वघातकम् ।
ज्ञानाविनाशयं तज्ज्ञानं केनोपायेन ते मृषा ।
Ibid, p.43, Sl.415.
1027. अथ स्वरूपज्ञानं च स्वकार्येऽस्मिन् वतति ।
अखण्डार्थपदश्रुत्या मानसी चापरोक्षधीः ॥
ज्ञानद्वयमरुन्धत्या स्थितयो गतयो च किम् ॥
Ibid, Pp.44b, & 44, Slokas 418 & 421.
1028. यो विद्यास्तमयो मोक्षः सा संसार उदाहृतः ।
Ibid, p.45b, Sl.427.
1029. ज्ञानोदयादाविमोक्षं जीवन्मुक्तिदशाकिल ।
Ibid, p.45, Sl.436.
1030. महा विद्या निवृत्तिश्च तदैवस्यान्मुमुक्षतां ।
Ibid, Sl.433.
1031. एवं च लिंगदेहास्ते सा विद्या तन्निमित्तकाः ।
अनन्ता मुक्तिपर्यन्ता।
Ibid, p.46b, Sl.437.
1032. पुनर्ज्ञानशतेनापि निवर्त्या नेति मे मतिः ।
दावाग्निना यो न दग्धः किं तद्दाहो गृहाग्निना ॥
Ibid, Sl.439.
1033. मयि भक्तिर्हि लोकानाममृतत्वाय कल्पते ।
इति भागवते योसौ मुक्तेर्द्धारि मबूबुधत् ॥
Ibid, Sl.442.
1034. अतदाकारविकृतिरधिष्ठानावृत्तिस्तथा ।
द्वे शक्ती किल ते ज्ञाने वैकल्यस्यैव कर्तुं तत् ॥
Ibid, p.47b, Sl.450.

1035. तस्मादभ्रमसिद्धत्वाद्ब्रह्मवत्परमार्थसत् ।
परप्रक्रियैवाभूच्चराचरमिदं जगत् ॥
Ibid, p.47, Sl.455.
1036. सर्वं मायाभयं यस्य तस्य देहेन्द्रियादिकं ।
कस्यवा मायया सृष्टं न हि मायाविनि भ्रमः ॥
Ibid, Sl.460.
1037. मायाविनो नैवेदभ्रान्तिर्विश्वमासीदनाकुलम् ।
मायाविनो यदि भ्रान्तिर्विश्वं नारोपितं मम ॥
Ibid, p.48b, Sl.464.
1038. यदि स्वाज्ञानतो ब्रह्म घटं कल्पयति भ्रमात् ।
कुलाल मृत्तिका दण्ड चक्राद्यैः किं प्रयोजनम् ।
...
सत्यत्वादेव नारोप्यात्सर्वं ब्रह्मवदेव हि ।
Ibid, Pp.49 & 50, Slokas, 478 & 485.
1039. एकस्य भ्रमनाशस्त्यादेकाज्ञान विनाशने ।
तत्रैव पुनरन्येषां स्वस्वाज्ञानैर्भ्रमः किल ॥
एवं च तत्तदभ्रान्त्यर्थं ब्रह्मज्ञान प्रकल्पने ।
अतिस्थिरतरे वस्तुन्यनन्ताज्ञानकल्पना ।
भावरूपं च ते ज्ञानं तेनस्यादणुरद्विवत् ॥
Ibid, Pp.51b, & 51, Slokas 490, 490 & 492.
1040. Supra.
1041. देहान्तस्त्रिजिवस्याभावात्निर्जीविता तनोः ।
अणुर्निरंशो जीवोयं कथमन्तर्बहिश्चरेत् ॥
Y.M., V.S, p.52, Slokas 500, 501.
वृत्तिद्वाराबहिर्गमनमेवासम्भावितमित्युक्तम् ।
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., V.S, p.52.

1042. घटोहमित्येव तेन जन्त्या व्यवहृतिभवेत् ।
कुतो घटोयमित्येवमाकारा सा प्रजायते ॥
Y.M., V.S., p.52, Slokas 502 & 503.
1043. अतो नैतादुशारोप इत्यनारोपितं जगत् ।
Ibid, p.53b, Sl.504.
1044. भूमात्पूर्वं च सन्नर्थो ब्रह्मवन्नभूदभवः ।
किंचाहं घट इत्येव चैतन्यं येद्वदभ्रमः ॥
गौरोहमिति वत्तर्हि भ्रान्तिस्सा प्रातिभासिकी ।
न चेतनो घट इति।
व्यावहारिकता तस्माद्वटादेर्जगतो गता ॥
Ibid, p.54b, Slokas 514, 515 & 516.
व्यावहारिकत्वाख्यस्वेष्टलाभाय प्रयतमानस्य
प्रातिभासिकत्वाख्य महादोषप्राप्तेरिति भावः ॥
Bh.Vi, com.on.Y.M., V.S., p.55b,
1045. अतो देशे च काले च घटोस्तीत्येव सोल्लिखेत् ।
अयं च न घटारोपः प्राक्सिद्धस्य विशिष्टधीः ॥
Y.M., V.S., p.55b, Sl.525.
1046. यद्यरोपं विनापि स्याद्वटादीनां व्यवस्थितिः ।
तर्ह्यनारोपितं सर्वं जगद्ब्रह्मवदेव हि ॥
Ibid, p. Sl.527.
1047. यस्य ह्यभ्रमकालेपि सिद्धिस्त्वमतसम्भता ।
अनारोपितैवेदं ब्रह्मवद्वि घटादिकम् ॥
Y.M., V.S., p.56, Sl.542.
1048. शुद्धब्रह्मण्यधिष्ठाने विश्वविभ्रमसिद्धये ।
स्वभावसिद्धा सिद्धाभ्रजगदाकारवर्जता ॥
Ibid, p.57b, Sl.546.

1049. इदानीमेव बाधेन तत्रारोपोपि बाधितः ।
तदासत्यं जगदिदं भवेन्ममनिराकुलम् ॥
Ibid, p.58, Śl.558.
1050. अधिष्ठानं प्रधानं च समसत्ताकमेव ।
दृश्यते रजतारोपे स्पर्शरोपादिकेषु च ॥
Ibid, p.59, Śl.562.
1051. उपादानं तवाज्ञानं तन्तुवत्कार्यकारकम् ।
भ्रमकाले तु यन्नश्येत्कः पश्येत्तस्यदोषताम् ।
यत्प्रवृत्तौ भ्रमस्यापि प्रवृत्तिस्तस्यात्पदेपदे ।
यन्निवृत्तौ निवृत्तिश्च भ्रमस्य।
Ibid, p.61, Ślokas, 581 & 582.
1052. ज्ञानमात्रनिरोधेन न प्रमा नापि चाप्रमा ।
.....
तस्मादावरणाज्ञानं स्याज्ज्ञानप्रतिबन्धकम् ॥
Ibid, p.62b, Śl.584 & 585.
1053. तस्माद्योग्यप्रधानादेशभावान्नजगन्मृषा ।
Ibid, Śl.587.
1054. आरोपयोग्याधिष्ठानं शून्यत्वात्परमार्थसत् ।
ब्रह्मवज्जगदेतत्स्थादिति सर्वं समंजसम् ॥
Ibid, p.63, Śl.596.
1055. अनारोपितं वस्तुत्वादिश्वं स्यात्परमार्थसत् ।
ब्रह्मवद्भाधकोत्तीनामन्यार्थत्वं च तद्बलात् ॥
Ibid, p.64, Śl.607.
1056. नमस्तुभ्यं भगवते ब्रह्मणे परमात्मने ।
न यत्र श्रूयते माया लोकदृष्टिविकल्पना ॥
Bhāg.X-28-6.

1057. त्वमाद्यः पुरुषः साक्षादीश्वरः प्रकृतेः परः ।
मायां व्युदस्य चिच्छक्त्या कैवल्ये स्थित आत्मनि ॥
Bhaṣya, I-7-23.
1058. इति श्रुण्वते प्रोक्ते माया भ्रमकरीश्वरी ।
यस्मान्निषिद्धा तेनेदं कथं मायामयं जगत् ।
Y.M., V.S., p.66b, Śl.631.
1059. ब्रह्माण्डान्तर्बहिर्भान्तिं किमहान्तो महेश्वरम् ।
समानयन्ति ध्यायन्ति श्रुण्वते मन्वते सदा ॥
Ibid, p.67b, Śl.634.
1060. सर्वार्थान्विपरीतांश्च बुद्धिः सा पार्थ तामसी ।
Bhagavadgītā XVIII-32.
1061. किं रज्जुसर्पलंकारः शुक्तिरूपयाचक्षे शिवः ।
Y.M., V.S., p.67, Śl.639.
1062. अथ दृग्दृश्यसंबन्धायोगात् केवलमीदृशी ।
कुसुष्टिर्हि त्वया वाच्या सापि सोच्या महात्मनाम् ॥
आरोपरूपज्ञानत्वमध्यासत्त्वं हि केवलम् ।
अध्यस्तत्त्वं च तज्ज्ञानज्ञेयत्त्वं च ततो परम् ॥
Ibid, Ślokas, 642 & 644.
1063. तस्मात्कीलस्य लाभाय न देवालयनाशनम् ।
कुरु स्वकुरु विश्वस्य सत्यतां भृत्यतां भज ॥
Ibid, p.68, Śl.659.
1064. असत्यमप्रतिष्ठं ते जगदाहुरनीश्वरम् ।
अपरस्परसम्भूतं किमन्यत्कामदैतुकम् ॥
स्तां दुष्टिमवष्टभ्य नष्टात्मानोल्पबुद्धयः ।
प्रभवन्त्युगकर्माणिः क्षयाय जगतो हिताः ॥
Bhagavadgītā, XVI-8,9.
इति गीतास्थकृष्णोक्त्या मिथ्यां त्वाशां परित्यज ।
Y.M., V.S., p.69b, Śl.662.

1065. अतो घटादेरध्यासः शुद्धचित्येव ते मते ।
निरंश शुद्धचैतन्यमेकमेव हि तत्तदा ।
तस्मात्सर्वस्य याध्यासात् सा सर्वस्य च दृग् भवेत् ।
Ibid, Ślokas 664 & 666.
1066. दृष्टं चेद्ब्रह्म मुक्तिस्तथाद् दृष्ट्यैव क्लिमुच्यते ॥
Ibid, p.70, Śl.682.
1067. तृणच्छन्नोऽपि किं वह्निः न दहेत् सतृणं वनम् ॥
Ibid, Śl.685.
1068. तमेव भान्तमनुभाति सर्वं
तस्य भासा सर्वमिदं विभाति ॥
Kath.V-15.
.....। यत एवं तदेव ब्रह्म भाति च विभाति कार्यगतेन विविधेन
भासा । ॥अतः॥ तस्य ब्रह्मणो भारूपत्वं स्वतोऽवगम्यते ।
न हि स्वतो विद्यमानं भासनमन्यस्य कर्तुं शक्यम् ।
घटादीमन्यावभासकत्वादशीनात् ,।
Sachchidanandendrasarasvati: Kāthakopaniṣad, Adhyatma-
Prākasha Karyalaya, Holenarasipur, 1968, p.160.
1069. यदादित्यगतं तेजो जगद्भासयते श्लिम् ।
यच्चन्द्रमसि यच्चाग्नौ तत्तेजो विद्धि भामकम् ॥
Bhagavadgītā, XV-12.
1070. भासमानमिदं सर्वं रत्नाकैन्द्रनलादिकम् ।
तं भान्तमनुभातीति तस्य भासा विभाति च ॥
Y.M.,V.S, p.72b, Śl.697.
1071. अथवा स्वस्वरूपेण ज्ञानेन परमेश्वरम् ।
स्वशक्त्यैव सदा भान्तमनुसृत्यान्यदेहिनाम् ॥
.....
भातीदं सकलं विश्वमित्यर्थोऽस्त्विति निर्मलः ॥
Ibid, p.73b, Ślokas, 703 & 704.

1072. स्वगोचरं सर्वजगद्गोचरां च श्रुतिर्जगौ ॥
Ibid, p.73, Śl.709.
1073. अस्ति चेन्नास्तित्ता बोधो बाधस्तस्यनाभवत् ।
 नास्ति चेन्नास्तित्ता बोधो बाधस्तस्य नाभवत् ॥
Ibid, p.74, Śl.719.
1074. कालत्रयेऽपि सत्ताया निषेधः कुत्र विद्यते ॥
Ibid, p.75b, Śl.727.
1075. व्यावहारिकसत्त्वं तु नास्तित्वापरनाम हि ।
Ibid, p.78b, Śl.739.
- 1075A. Mund.Up.II-2-8.
- 1075B. RV.II-24-12.
1076. विश्वं सत्यमिति स्पष्टं सत्यत्वं गर्जति श्रुतिः ।
 विश्वं मिथ्येति विस्पष्टं मिथ्यात्वं कुत्र कथ्यते ॥
Ibid, p.82b, Śl.777.
- 1076A. RV.X-129.
1077. हन्त मिथ्याभवद्ब्रह्म सत्यं जगद्भूदिदम् ।
Ibid, p.83, Śl.788.
1078. असन्निकृष्ट दृष्टिस्तु समा पक्षद्वयेऽपि ते ॥
Ibid, p.88b, Śl.821.
1079. शब्दादसन्निकृष्टस्य शशश्रृंगस्य धीर्यथा ।
 अक्षादसन्निकृष्टस्य शुक्तिरूप्यस्य धीस्तथा ।
Ibid, p.89, Śl.827.
1080. एवं च रूपसादृश्यात् शुक्तौ रूप्यत्वधीभिवत् ।
Ibid, p.91, Śl.840.

1081. सन्धटस्सन्धटस्स्तम्भस्सन्नित्यादीनि देहिनाम् ।
सत्त्वापरोक्षज्ञानानि वर्तन्ते तत्र तत्र हि ॥
Ibid, p.95b, Sl.860.
1082. असद्भजतमित्यत्रासत्त्वं ब्रह्मगतं भवेत् ।
Ibid, p.96, Sl.867.
1083. किंवाधिष्ठानगासत्ता घटाधुनगतेति सा ।
घटोपि दृश्यते किं वा तन्निष्ठारोप्यते घटे ॥
उत तत्रैव सा दृष्टा घटो घटतयेक्ष्यते ।
किं वा घटे पृथक्सत्त्वं तत्स्थमेव निरीक्ष्यते ॥
Ibid, Pp.97, 98b, Slokas, 875 & 876.
1084. चिदिभन्नत्वेनैव दृष्टघटादौ जडवस्तुनि ।
सत्सत्त्वं दृश्यते तच्च तदगं स्यान्न तु चिदगतम् ॥
Ibid, p.98, Sl.882.
1085. प्रत्यक्षबाधे वाक्यस्यैवान्यार्थस्तर्क-संमतः ।
Ibid, p.100b, Sl.893.
1086. जडे नाज्ञानदोषोस्ति न च काचादि दृश्यते ।
Ibid, p.100b, Sl.903.
1087. अतोप्यबाधितं विश्वमिदमासीदनाकुलम् ॥
Ibid, p.103b, Sl.919.
1088. मुख्यं जडाजडैक्यं च वाक्यैस्तैः किं न साध्यते ॥
Ibid, p.106b, Sl.950.
1089. सन्ध्ये सृष्टिराह हि ॥ Br.Su.III-ii-1.
स्वप्नार्थोपि यथार्थो हि सन्ध्ये सृष्टिरिति स्मृतेः ।
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सत्यतां सूक्ष्मतां चासी वक्तिनानुततां प्रभुः ।
Ibid, p.109,b Slokas, 978 & 979.

1090. मिथ्याभूतोऽर्थकरी चेत्युक्तिस्तद्व्याहतैव ते ॥
Ibid, 110b, Ś1.982.
1091. सदा सर्वत्र सद्ब्रह्म सदा सर्वत्र चार्थकृत् ।
 आकाशवत्कालवच्च त्रिकालासत्कदापि न ॥
Ibid, p.111b, Ś1.988,
1092. अतःप्रामाणिकं ब्रह्म तवापि च ममापि च ।
 परमार्थसदेव स्याद्ब्रह्मवत्त्वेन मे जगत् ॥
Ibid, p.117b, Ś1.1038.
1093. सर्वं ज्ञानं यतो धर्मिण्यभ्रान्तं सर्वदेहिनाम् ।
 तस्मादनन्तव्यक्तिनां सत्यता युक्तितोभवत् ।
Ibid, Pp.120b, & 121b, Slokas, 1059 & 1064.
1094. तदभ्रान्तिसृष्टत्वकथाप्येषां तस्माद् वृथा भवेत् ।
Ibid, p.123b, Ś1.1073.
1095. अतो जडस्थ रूपादिगुणानां कर्मणामपि ।
 जात्यादीनां च सर्वेषामबाध्यत्वेन सर्वदा ॥
 व्यावहारिकता योगात्तत्सत्त्वं ब्रह्मसत्त्ववत् ।
Ibid, p.124, Ślokas, 1084 & 1085.
1096. अथमानाभावतोऽर्थभावस्तेन च धीर्भ्रमः ।
 भ्रमाच्च दोषो दोषेण मानता हीनतेति तु ॥
 अन्योन्याश्रयतस्तस्य कुरुते बोधहीनताम् ॥
Ibid, p.125, Ś1.1094.
1097. यदिमिध्याजगत्सर्वं कथमर्थक्रिया ततः ।
 मरीचिकाजलैः किं स्याद्वावतस्तद्विमोचनम् ॥
Ibid, p.130, Ś1.1142.
1098. अर्थक्रियायोग्यभावादप्यबाध्यमभूजगत् ।
Ibid, p.133, Ś1.1172.

1099. किंचेन्द्रियेण संबन्धात् घटाद्यं परमार्थसत् ।

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अथवा स्तम्भकुम्भादिद्रव्यं नः परमार्थसत् । संयुक्तत्वात्।

Ibid, p.135b, Slokas 1188 & 1190.

1100. See Pp.139b, to 140, Slokas 1208-1211.

1101. यद्यज्ञानं मनोवृत्तिप्रतिबन्धकमेव न ।

मनसा ब्रह्मणस्तर्हि साक्षात्कारः सदा भवेत् ॥

Yuktimalikā (Y.M.) Phalasourabha (P.S.) p.1, Sl.1.

1102. मनसःप्रतिरोधे हि स्यादन्योन्याश्रयो ध्रुवं ।

मनसो प्रतिरोधेपि स्यादन्योन्याश्रयो ध्रुवं ॥

Ibid.

1103. श्रवणमननं चैव ध्यानं चेति क्रमात्रयं ।

प्रधानाङ्गं हि मनसो दृष्टव्ये परमात्मनि ।

प्रतिबन्धनिरुद्धं हि मनो दृष्टुं न शक्नुते ॥

Ibid, 2b, Slokas 6 & 7.

1104. परोक्षज्ञानरूपात्तु सदाध्यानात्प्रसन्नधीः ।

अपसार्थनिरोधं तं स्वप्नानं दर्शयित्प्रभुः ॥

Ibid, 2, Sl.2,

1105. दृष्टश्च भगवानेकं हृद्गन्धिं स्वं भिनत्त्यजः ।

अन्यथापसृतं कुर्यात्तेनाच्छादयति क्वचित् ॥

Ibid, p.3b, Sl.10.

1106. मुक्तौस्वरूपनिष्पत्त्या तस्य स्वच्छन्ददर्शनं ।

Ibid, 4b, Sl.15.

1106A. साक्षादेव कारणत्वात् श्रवणमनननिधिध्यासनानाम् ।

Tait.Bhā.1.12.

Saccidānandendrasarasvati, Taittirīyopaniṣad, p.108.

1106B, आत्मा वा अरे दुष्टव्यः श्रोतव्यो मन्तव्यो निधिध्यासितव्यः ।

Brih.Up., I V-5-6.

1107. दशमस्त्वमसीत्युक्तिरपिशाब्धाध्यास्वया ।

चित्तव्याधेमहंश्रयेव दशमोहमितिप्रमा ॥

Y.M., P.S., p.6b, §1.29.

1108. श्रुतिस्तु श्रवणं वक्ति मननं ध्यानमन्ततः ।

पारंपर्यास्तु तत्राद्ये हेतुः ध्यानं तु मुख्यतः ॥

Ibid, p.8b, §1.49.

1109. यदि श्रवणमात्रेपि सर्वेषां ब्रह्मदर्शनं ।

जीवन्मुक्ताः कुतस्तर्हि शुकाद्या एव योगिनः ।

Ibid, p.8, §1.52.

1110. ध्यानमेव प्रधानांगं तेनचान्ज्ञानधीमलं ।

क्षाल्यते धौतक्षीरेव दक्षिणं कारणं किल ।

Ibid, p.9b, §1.59.

1111. हर्यनुग्रह एवेभ्यस्सर्वेभ्यो बलवत्तरः ।

Ibid, p.11b, §1.74.

1111A. Mund.Up. III-2-3.

1112. हरिभक्त्यादेशच लोकेवेदेपुराणादौच क्वापि दोषतया

अकथनेन गुणतयैव कथनेन च मानांतराविरुद्धमानप्रति-

पादितानां श्रवणमननादीनामेव साधनत्वौचित्यात् ।

Bh.Vi., com.on.Y.M., P.S. p.12.

1112A. Bhāg. VII-1-30.

1112B. S.Y.S. Ch.35.17.

1113. श्रवणं मननं तस्माद्व्यानं साक्षात्कृतिर्हरिः ।
भक्तिप्रसादद्वत्येते मुक्तेस्तोषानपेक्ष्यः ॥
Y.M., P.S., p.13b, Śl .93.
1114. ज्ञानी ज्ञानोदये जाते ब्रह्मनाइयाविनिर्गतः ।
अर्चिराध्वनाप्राप्य ब्रह्म लोके चिरं वसेत् ।
जीवन्मुक्तिदशा सैव ज्ञानिनां कीर्त्यते बुधैः ।
तेनैव ब्रह्मणासाकं महामोक्षो भविष्यति ।
Ibid, p.15, Ślokas 104, 105 107.
1115. प्रकृतिश्च स्वभावस्था स्वभावं प्रकृतिं विदुः ।
अतस्तस्यास्तुन लयः सा नित्यैव परात्मवत् ॥
Ibid, p.17b, Śl .122.
1116. घटादिसर्वनाशो हि स्वस्वकारणशेषान् ।
दाहेन कार्यनाशेऽपि भस्मशेषः प्रदर्शयति ।
स्वस्वावयवनाशेऽपि सूक्ष्मसूक्ष्मतदंशका
शिष्टाभवन्ति तदस्तु कथं स्यादसदेव हि ।
Ibid, pp.17b, 17, Ślokas 127,128.
1117. परंपराद्विरूपेयं प्रकृतौपर्यवस्यति ।
सर्वस्यान्ते यतस्तैव शिष्टा नष्टा च नैवसा ॥
.....
निशेषवस्तुनाशस्यनाशमात्रेऽप्यदर्शनात् ।
Ibid, p.17, Śl .130.
1118. ब्रह्मभिन्नस्य भावस्य नाशे जीवोऽपि नक्षयति ।
Ibid, p.18b, Śl .135.
1119. ततो वैकुण्ठमगमद्भास्वरं तमसःपरं ।
यत्र नारायणस्ताक्षान्क्यासिनां परमा गतिः ॥
Ibid, p.20b, Śl .151.

1120. सा च विष्णो समीपाप्तिस्तदंघ्रिप्राप्तिरेव वा ।
तल्लोकेषु स्थितिर्वाभूत्तेनैक्यं त्वष्टमोरसः ॥
Ibid, p.21b, Śl.158.
1121. सर्वलोकक्षये यस्तु मोक्षोसौ नैक्ष्यते क्वचित् ।
Ibid, p.21, Śl.165.
1122. अतो जिवेशभेदस्य मुक्तावप्यनुवर्तनं ।
तारतम्यं च जिवेषु खेन्द्रत्वस्यकीर्तनात् ।
Ibid, p.24, Ślokas 187,188.
1123. न तदभासयते सूर्यो न शशाङ्को न पावकः ।
यद्गत्वा न निवर्तन्ते तद्दामपरमं मम ॥
....
पुनरावृत्तिशून्यत्वं परमत्वं च कीर्तितं ।
Ibid, p.25b, Ślokas, 192, 193.
1124. एवं परान्तकालेस्यान्मुक्तत्वं योग्ययोगिनां ।
Ibid, p.27, Śl.214.
- 1124A. RV.VI-47-16.
- 1124B. RV.VI-47-17.
1125. अतस्सर्वविमोक्षश्च सर्वैक्यं च कथं वद ॥
Y.M.,P.S. p.30b, Śl.225.
- 1125A. RV-VI-47-16.
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तस्माद्ब्रह्मत्वमेतेषां दुरापमितिमे मतिः ॥
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 अतःफलेपिवैचित्र्यं ततो, मुक्ताःपरावराः ॥
Y.M., P.S., p.32, Śl.251.
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1128. सर्वाप्यानन्दमीमांसा स्वरूपानन्दगोचरा ।
Y.M., P.S., p.33b, Śl.253.
1129. जीवस्वरूपानन्दस्य तादृक्त्वे किं गतं तव ।
 ऐक्यायोगाद्यदि भयं भेदोस्तु सततं सतां ॥
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 तत्त्यागोपि सुखस्योच्चनीचतेत्यद्भुतं वचः ॥
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1131. अतो मिथो जीवभेदो जीवब्रह्मविभिन्नता ।
 तत्तदानन्दवैचित्र्यात् सिद्धा सिद्धान्तवेदिनां ॥
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1132. अप्राकृतपाकृताभ्यां द्वाभ्यां द्वित्वो भवे भवेत् ।
 द्वितास्संसारिणस्तस्मात्तत्संबन्धिषुस्विदं ।
 बाह्यं द्वैतमिति प्रोक्तमस्वभावत्वतश्चतत् ।
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कथं घटेरन्तर्विक्ये बह्व्योथान्तरवर्जिताः ॥
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1133A. Mund.Up.I-1-4.

1134. अथवाप्राहसामुक्तौ सुखरूपेन्द्रियादिकं ।
एकीभवन्ति च परे मुक्ताश्च क्षीरनीरवत् ॥
Y.M., P.S., p.40, Sl.315.

1134A. Tait.Up.II-5-1.

1135. कथं जीवेशमेदो न यं मुक्तोपि न मुच्यति ।
...
तस्माद्देवान्तवाक्यानां अस्मिन्नर्थे महान्भरः ॥
Y.M., P.42, Sl.336.

1136. स्वाधीनं स्वसमं कर्तुं नोत्सहस्वकदाचन ।
सारूप्यदोपि किं श्रीशो दत्ते श्रीवत्सकौस्तुभौ ॥
हृष्टोपि राजा न स्वीयां जायां दिशति कस्यचित् ।
प्रपन्नाय प्रसन्नोपि स्वात्मैक्यं न दिशेद्वरिः ॥
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लक्ष्म्यात्मका सत्यरूपा नित्याश्चासन्नसंशयः ॥
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1138. हरेरनुग्रहा एव मुक्तास्तत्रापि ते किल ।
सर्वे चतुर्बाहवश्च।
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1139. ज्ञानानन्दमयाकारा नित्यं च सुखभुक्त्वतः ।
.....
त्रिविधाः सन्तिसंसारे शुद्धाः एव विमुक्तिगाः ॥
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1140. भिन्ना मिथः परेशाच्च मुक्ता विसदृशत्वतः ।
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निराकारत्वमज्ञत्वं निर्गुण ब्रह्म यत्तव ॥
अप्रमाणिकमेवेदं सर्वमासीन्न संशयः ।
उक्तेपरममोक्षेस्मिन्यन्नाभूत्कुत्रतद्भवेत् ॥
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द्वैतोपमो विशेषश्च भवति स्वगुणादिभिः ।
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तन्मृत्युभयभङ्गाय प्रथमं पुरुषोत्तमं ॥
भजेदनन्यभक्तस्तन्निति वाशास्ति सज्जनान् ।
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1149. स्वाखंडवादखड्गेन मृतमृत्यै न मेकृतिः ।
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 वसानोभूतले मध्वोमहिषः सर्वतो महान् ॥
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 तेन सहस्रधारेण पावमान्यः पुनन्तु मा ॥
 प्राजापत्यं पवित्रं शतोद्यामं हिरण्यमयं ।
 तेन ब्रह्मविदो वयं पूतं ब्रह्म पुनीमहे ॥
 देवाश्च येन चक्रेण लांछितेन भुजेसदा ।
 स्वस्वदेहं मनश्चापि पुनते वैष्णवोत्तमाः ॥
 तेन चक्रेण मरुतो मूर्तयो मां पुनन्तु इति ।
 मुनिः प्रार्थयते कश्चिच्छ्रुदित्यर्थोत्र प्रदर्शयति ॥
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 गुरुणां करकजेन धार्यं चक्रं तदेव हि ॥
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 पूर्ण आहावो मदिरस्य मध्वोयं विश्व ह्वमिह्यन्ति देवाः ।
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 उत्स औत्सुक्यवान्मध्वः कोवा सिद्धो निगद्यतां ।
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 अनयन्त सश्रुतः ।
 पृक्षो वपुः पितृमान्नित्य आशये द्वितीयमासस्य शिवासु मातृषु ।
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1181. द्वितीयं च वपुस्सा वाक् पितुमानिति शंसति ।

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ब्रह्मन्नवानभूद्भीमो

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1182. तृतीयं तु वपुः प्राह दशप्रमतिनामि सा ।

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1183. यदी मनुप्रदिवो मध्व आध्वे गुहासन्तं

मातरिषवा मथायति ।

यतो मध्वो मातरिषवा गुहासन्तं मथायति ।

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दशप्रमतिनामात्र स एवातो न संशयः ॥

गुहासन्तं हृद्गुहायो वसन्तं पुरुषोत्तमं ।

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वेदशास्त्रादिमथनं कृत्वा दर्शयति प्रभुः ॥

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नाकर्तुमीशो न च कर्तुमीशः ।

यथा नटान्नाटकदास्यन्त्रं

तथा हरेःप्रेरणयैव वर्तते ॥

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अनाद्यनिष्टकर्मणि करोत्यन्धवशो ध्रुवम् ॥

स्वस्यैव स्वतन्त्रकर्तृत्वे स्वतन्त्रकर्त्रीश्वराभिन्तत्वे च

स्वानिष्टदुःखादिकरणायोगात् ।

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परनियम्यत्वावश्यंभावाच्च । नित्यस्य चेतनस्य

जीवस्य स्वातन्त्र्याभावेन, कर्मसाधिव्यांगीकारे

अनित्यस्य जडस्य च कर्मणः सुतरां स्वातन्त्र्यायोगेन,

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स्वतःप्रवृत्त्ययोगेन प्रेर्यत्वात् कर्तृतो न्यतः ॥
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A P P E N D I X
RJUTVA OF VĀDIRĀJA

1. What is Rjūtva?

The prime-meaning of the term Rju is absence of demerits.¹ Rju is he who has no sufferings of birth. So Rjutva means an attribute or characteristic of Nirdoṣatva and here it is referred to with special application wherein the prime sense is not given up.

Contextually, the term Rju is referred to the group or a class of esteemed souls. The highest, Four-faced Brahmā is called Rju-King who is the creator of this world. The four-faced Brahmā, when completes the prescribed period of hundred ages and fulfils the Sādhana, gets retired and attains the final liberation along with qualified souls. Then that post will be graced by the next qualified and competent Rju who is in the order of succession. Thus, by turn, this takes place. So here the term Rju is referred to those souls who are fit and qualified to attain and occupy the seat of Four-faced Brahmā.

Here also, the prime meaning of the term is not given up. The Rjutva also denotes the Nirdoṣatva. So Rjutva is an inherent capability of the souls who attain Brahmā's seat. And this capability is Anādisiddha i.e. established since beginningless.

2. Who is a Rju?

As stated above, a Rju is he, who is endowed with the eternally inherent capability of attaining the Brahma-pada.

The Rjus are the lords of gods, superior to all other souls, competent to attain the Vāyu-seat. Since beginning-less time, they are free from any demerits and are endowed with auspicious qualities.²

In this class, there are infinite souls. All these souls attain the Brahma-pada in order. Though they possess inherent ability of attaining the Brahma-pada, a Sādhana of a period of hundred ages is prescribed for them. The hundred Rjus enlisted from Kalki to Brahmā attain the Brahma-pada in order. The names of hundred Rjus are given in the Vāmana Purāṇa. It is said that the next group of 100 Rjus is also engaged in the prescribed Sādhana. All the Rjus are graced with 32 auspicious marks (characteristics). Their physic is of Śuddhasattva only.

3. Necessity of the Rjujñāna

As the knowledge of Brahman and His grace are essential to attain the Mokṣa, so also the knowledge pertaining to the Gurus and their blessings are also equally essential. The Gurvanugraha is the sole means for securing the God's grace.

As supreme and pure devotion, at the feet of the Lord, is required, so also with gradation Gurubhakti is required.³ Among Gurus, the four-faced Brahmā and other Ṛjus are superior. They are the prime-statues of having more Sannidhāna of the Lord. Thus, all these Ṛjus know the Lord better than other souls. They are also called Nityāparokṣins - since they have the Aparokṣajnāna of the Lord always. Their blessings and advice are essential for all other souls. Thus, headed by Brahmā, all of them are Gurus to others.⁴

It is also said that God Vāyu giving the secret Upadeśa to all the eligible souls of that age, conducts them to the Lord and appeals Him on their behalf of their liberation. Thus, next to the Lord, the power of bestowing liberation with Lord's permission is seen in Vāyu. And this greatness is found in all the Ṛjus, since they too, without fail, attain the Vāyupada.⁵

Gradation should not be traced among the Ṛjus regarding their inherent capability. So far as cadre is concerned, all Ṛjus are equal.⁶ On this ground, all Ṛjus shall be given equal importance and be worshipped equally with the feeling of Mukhyaguru. Thus they are Gurus to all others.⁷

The apparent gradation or order seems to be on account of the post occupied by them, the work entrusted with them by the Lord and the period of Sādhana observed and undergone. This will always be in accordance with the difference of course of Sādhana which is a factor of time in their case. It has nothing to do with their inherent ability. By the time they undergo and fulfil the course of Sādhana, they attain the next post. They are endowed with the power of fulfilling the course of Sādhana without any interruption.

The four-faced Brahmā tops the Rjus class and his greatness is glorified in Vedas, Purāṇas and the like. The god Vāyu, next to Brahmā, in the list is too referred to as Bhāvibrahma and worshipped accordingly. He is the regulator and actual performer of the breathing in all the souls of this creation and glory of his incarnation is being narrated and praised in all the works. At this point, one may raise the doubt or objection as to, what is the post occupied by the next Rju? What is his function and how to worship him?

The reply is very simple and sound. The post is nothing but, their getting engaged in the observance of the prescribed Sādhana. And their function is other than the control over breathing. One should chant the holy names of

the hundred Ṛjus given in the Vāmana-Purāṇa. It is the general and common way of showing respect. Secondly, the Ṛjus, other than Brahmā and Vāyu, whose reference is clearly made in scriptures, mythology and also by seers, must also be taken into account without fail. Thus Vādirāja comes in this category, since reference about him is found in authentic works of ancient seers, Purāṇas and also in other works.

3. Evidences to prove Vādirāja as Ṛju

The topic as to whether Vādirāja is a Ṛju or not has become the object of controversy. There is not much difference of opinion among scholars with regard to the Svarūpa of others, viz., Jayatīrtha, Rāghavendratiīrtha, Purandaradāsa, Vijayadāsa and others. This conviction is widely accepted and followed without any objections on the basis of mythological evidences and others. In the case of Vādirāja also we get more and more authentic and valid proofs of all kinds.

The aspect of Ṛjutva appears as a Tattva and not an imagined factor. One has to accept the Tattva as determined by stock evidences. It is but natural that sometimes, there are available clear and explicit proofs and sometimes implicit on account of some reasons. The implicit proofs too are more powerful when reflected upon.

In the case of Madhva, it is well-known that there are available more clear and explicit Pramāṇas. It is acclaimed in Veda, scriptures and Purāṇas that Madhva is the incarnation of god Vāyu. It is also made known in his own works. The relevancy of this fact could be realised through scriptures, evidences upheld by the tradition and the like.

So Tattva or reality may be of any kind, can be determined and understood, only when Vedas are admitted as real, flawless, Apauruṣeya and so on and when other works, closely following the Vedas in respect of purport, are admitted as authority and also when reliable sources from history and tradition are taken for granted. Referring to the relevant Pramāṇas, explained in these works, one can determine and know the Tattva as it is.

Now the question may be asked whether the R̥jutva of Vādirāja is referred to in these works. The R̥jutva of Vādirāja might not have been referred to directly and explicitly in the Vedas, but its reference is found in other works such as Purāṇas that are subservient to Vedas. Mention is also seen in biographical works that relate the life-history of Vādirāja.⁸

The reference of this may not be found in the works published recently, but this can be seen in ancient manuscripts. Therefore, ancient manuscripts and reference of them in other works are to be taken for granted. So many additions and omissions have been taken place since long. It was also there before and at the time of Madhva.⁹

Some say that the very discussion of Svarūpa is not relevant and an agreeable one, since it serves no purpose. Let all be worshipped with due respect. But this trend of avoiding discussion is harmful in the Siddhānta for gradation is the criterion for worshipping. And this gradation is established taking the inner ability of the soul as the criterion. So knowing the nature and status as determined, one has to accept accordingly. Equal worship is nowhere preferred.¹⁰ And moreover, relevancy of the discussion of the Svarūpa, is seen elaborately in the M.B.T.N. (II) of Madhva. There he has cleared the doubts regarding the inner ability (Svarūpa) of the personalities seen in the Rāmāyana and the Mahābhārata.

We may not get the very statements of Madhva in respect of those Jñānis, born after him due to the difference of time. But we do get the valid statements of evidences of the then Aparokṣajñānis that indeed help us to ascertain the Svarūpa aspect.

A. Internal Evidences

i) Information about the R̥jutva of Vādirāja in his own works:

It is true that as Madhva declared openly and clearly his Svarūpa, Vādirāja has not, when he was alive. But he has suggested this indirectly in his works.

In the Tīrthaprabandha, while praising his Guru Vāgīśatīrtha, he suggests that he will never be affected by Kali. Effect of Kali is seen in the gods upto Śeṣa and not in Vāyu and other R̥jus. So Kalividūratva, which is an indicatory mark of R̥jutva is seen in Vādirāja. In the same work, while praising Goddess Mūkāmbikā and also Lord Varadarāja of Kāncī, he treats himself as Ekāntabhakta. All R̥jus are Ekāntabhaktas.¹¹

In the Rukmiṇīśavijaya, he suggests that he is like Vāyu. The term Soham in the verse¹² indicates that he is also like Vāyu, glorifying the greatness of the Lord. Soham means "That I" which gives the sense of equality. So he regards himself as equivalent to Vāyu. In a different context, he indirectly refers to his past life. It is said that he was born as a Brahmin in the Dvāparayuga and played the role of an ambassador. The word Kācit, used in that verse¹³ hints at some deep and suggested meaning. Here Kācit does not stand for any common man,

but conveys the sense as equivalent to Brahmā. 'Kaḥ' means 'four-faced Brahmā' and 'Cit' means 'like' or 'similar.' It gives the sense of similarity or likeness. Here without using the terms Dvijavara, Dvijottama etc., Vādirāja has purposely used the term Kāscit with an intention to suggest that he was that Brahmin and equivalent to Brahmā.

In the Sarasabhārativilāsa, he mentions that Lord Hayagrīva is his father, mother, Guru and the like. It is a well-known fact that the Lord is the father, mother and Guru to all the Ṛjus.¹⁴ In the same work, he has referred to the four-faced Brahmā as the eldest of his race or class. Brahmā is the eldest and he tops the Ṛju class.¹⁵ In another context, Vādirāja refers or attributes to himself the worthy title Mahāmāti. The same term is used in the M.V. in praise of Madhva. 'Mahā' means complete and 'Matī' means knowledge. Thus, it is a synonym of Pūṇaprajña, Pūṇabodha and the like. By using the term Mahāmāti Vādirāja suggests that he would be the future Pūṇabodha.¹⁶

It is a well-known fact that Vādirāja has composed a good number of Kannada songs in praise of Viṣṇu and Vaiṣṇavism. In one of the songs he says: Anudinava śravaṇamananādisādhana māḍo...¹⁷ and it is as if he is taking the oath, claims that he too is capable to fulfil

the conditions and to perform the functions or deeds of Vāyu and Brahmā. This song indirectly refers to the greatness of Vādirāja, that could be seen in the future age. General oath-taking, in defence of Viṣṇu and Vaiṣṇavism, may be seen in the works of others. But there, we do not have the subjective reference of the greatness of Vāyu and Brahmā as a support or substantiation of oath-taking. So above song is peculiar in its kind and that suggests the Rjutra of Vādirāja.

ii) Swapnavṛndāvanākhyānam

It is a work of Vādirāja, which is being narrated in the dream of a Brahmin. The validity of this work could be realized by the information available in the V.G.C.¹⁸ and also by the inscription,¹⁹ related to the banner-pillar, seen even today in Sonda, the mention of which could be seen in the S.Vr.Ā.²⁰

Vādirāja claims in the S.Vr.Ā. that he is endowed with auspicious characteristics of Rju, such as the fact of being defectless, the fact of being graced with more auspicious qualities Sarvajnatva. Vādirāja declares that he is Nirduṣṭa and Guṇādhika.²¹ The Rjutra of Vādirāja is clearly mentioned in this work in so many times. He claims himself as Bhāviśvāsapranetā, Bhāvibhāratīpati

and the like.²² He declares that he too is graced with all dignity and prosperity of god Vāyu and Brahmā in this age but except being the lord of Vāṇī and Bhārati.²³

Thus, the S.Vr.A. is a stock and valid proof of Rjutva of Vādirāja.

B. External evidences

I. Sanskrit Works

i) Vṛttaratnasamgraha: This work was written by Raghunāthācārya when Vādirāja was alive. Therefore, openly and explicitly, he has not mentioned the Rjutva of Vādirāja. But there are some verses which, when being reflected on, indeed suggest the Rjutva of Vādirāja implicitly.²⁴

ii) Vādirājaḡguruvaracaritāmṛta: This work, written by Rāmacandrācārya, a disciple of Vedanidhi.²⁵ openly declares the Rjutva of Vādirāja. The validity of the work is beyond doubt and it could be realized by the discription of the installation²⁶ of the statue of Goddess Lakṣmī, which is in accordance with the Vr.R.S.²⁷ The inscription of Anuvṛndāvanākhyāna also substantiates and proves the validity of the work.²⁸ The eighth chapter of the work is solely devoted for the Rjutva of Vādirāja. The author has given solid statements of different Purāṇas

that declare Vādirāja a Rju.²⁹ Those statements, like others, may not be seen in present published editions. But on that ground, the very statements cannot be rejected. And moreover, not only in the eighth chapter but also in the other chapters, Vādirāja is described as a Rju.³⁰

iii) Viśvapriyalīlāvilāsa of Setumādhavasūri and Viśvapriyavilāsa of Kocci Rangappācārya:³¹ These two works, though narrate the life-story of Viśvapriyatīrtha,³² incidentally describe the greatness of Vādirāja and promise his Rjutva.

iv) Commentory on S.Vr.A. of Śrīmuṣṇācārya: This Com. an exhaustive one, points out the relevancy of S.Vr.A. and helps to ascertain the Rjutva of Vādirāja.

v) Other works:

- a) Gurvaṣṭakam - Kocci Rangappācārya
 - b) Gurustavanam - Vāsudevācārya
 - c) Vādirājāṣṭakam - N. Vāsudevācārya
 - d) Sudhākaragunaratnamālā - N. Vāsudevācārya
- and e) other works.

The above mentioned works glorify Vādirāja and declare that he is a Rju.

vi) Vādirājagūṇaratnamālā: This work has been written in argumentative form, when Satyavīratīrtha³⁴ of Uttarādi mutt opposed the Rjutra of Vādirāja openly for the first time. To tackle and to refute the opposing views, the scholars of different regions wrote different works independently in defence of Vādirāja's Rjutra. They upheld the views of ancient works and also sayings. They brought out the discussion in Śāstric method and proved the Rjutra with solid evidences. Some of those works are:-

- a) Prāmāṇyabodhini
- b) Rjutraśāntarodayaḥ
- c) Rjutvamallikā
- d) Rjutraśāntakāpankaprakṣālanam
- e) Rjutraśāntarpanam
- f) Rjutraśāntarodhikapolacāpetikā
- g) Rjutvamāṇḍanam

and others.

In these works, the opposing statements of others are shown baseless and proofless.³⁵

II. Kannada songs of Aparokṣajñānins

Right from Nijapurandaraviṭṭhala³⁶ to Prānapati viṭṭhala³⁷ all the Haridāśas, without any hesitation, have glorified the greatness of Vādirāja particularly referring

to his R̥jutva. He is acclaimed as L̥atavya, Bhavivāyu and the like.³⁸ The validity of these songs could not be doubted at, because all these songs are found written in old and ancient manuscripts. These are not written separately but are intervened with other written songs, the authenticity of which is beyond doubt. As we regard the validity of other songs of same author written in the same bundle of manuscripts, in the same way, the songs found written in the same bundle and that extract the import of the ancient Sanskrit works and describe the R̥jutva of Vādirāja must also be taken for granted.

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